

## Peritoneal Function Testing *should be performed in PD patients*

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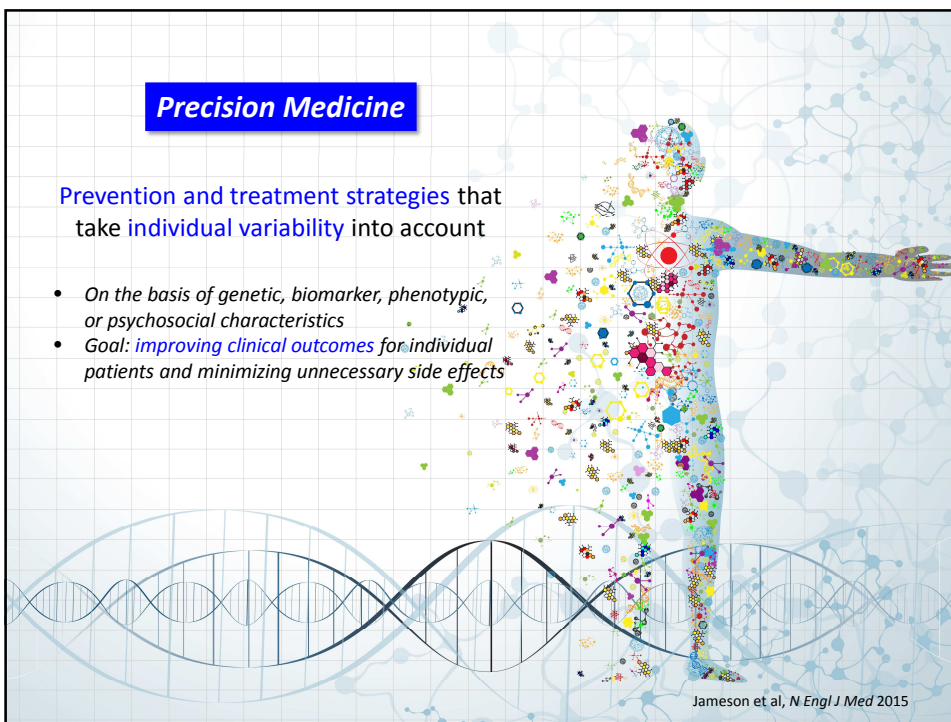
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### Precision Medicine

Prevention and treatment strategies that take **individual variability** into account

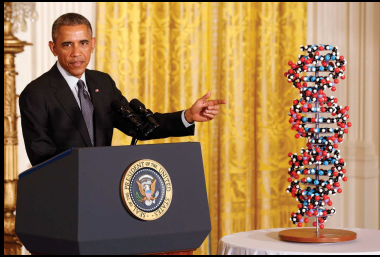
- *On the basis of genetic, biomarker, phenotypic, or psychosocial characteristics*
- *Goal: **improving clinical outcomes** for individual patients and minimizing unnecessary side effects*



Jameson et al, *N Engl J Med* 2015

## Precision Medicine Initiative®

- Barack Obama - Jan 20, 2015
- Coll. NIH
- \$215 Mo in 2016
- Research, technology and policies that empowers patients  
→ Individualized care



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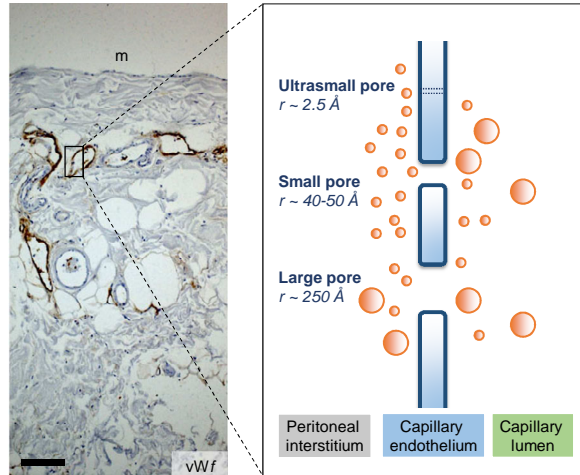
### Peritoneal transport testing Experience at the Cliniques universitaires Saint-Luc

Test	Period	n
3,86% 4h PET	1994-2016	387
3,86% 1h PET	2005-2012	104
Uni-PET	2013-2016	40

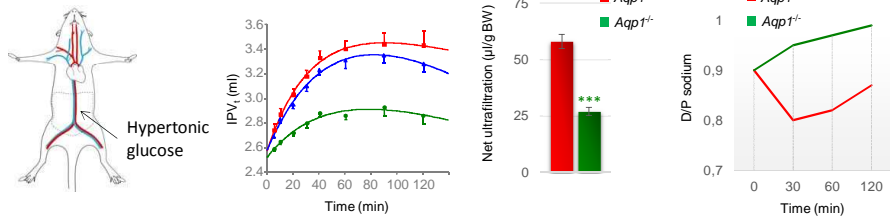
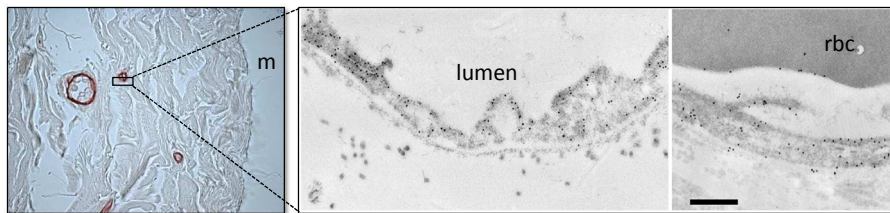
531 peritoneal tests  
 16705 dosages on dialysate effluents  
 ~ 2000 hours of work  
 ~ 250 working days  
 ~ 100 PET in mice/year

**Peritoneal transport, an open window on the peritoneal membrane!**

**The basics of peritoneal transport**



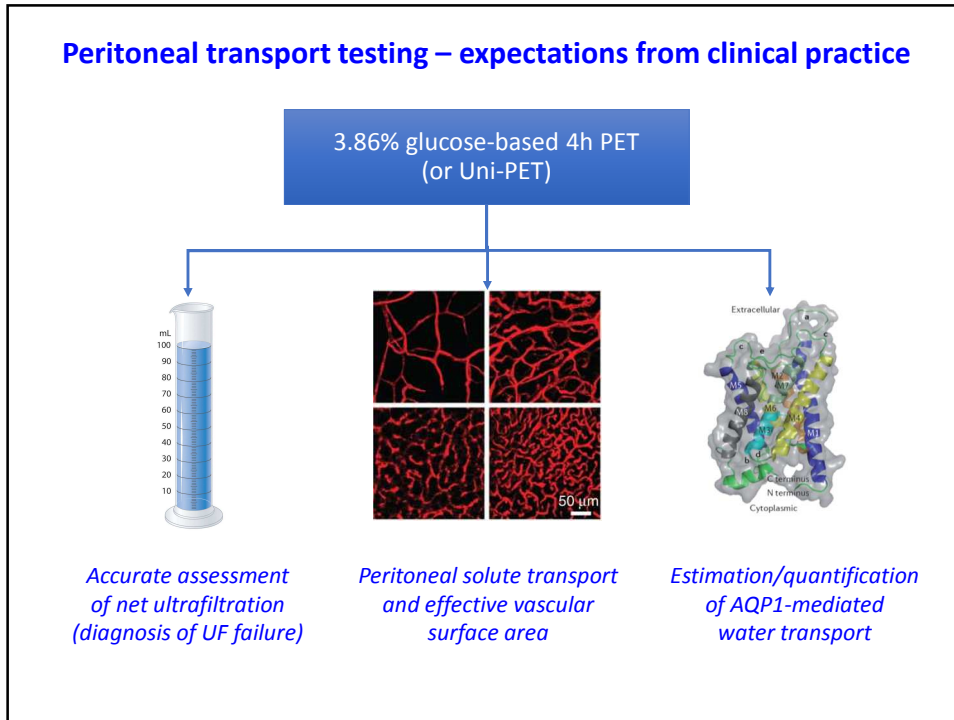
**Role of Aquaporin-1 in Water Transport during Peritoneal Dialysis**



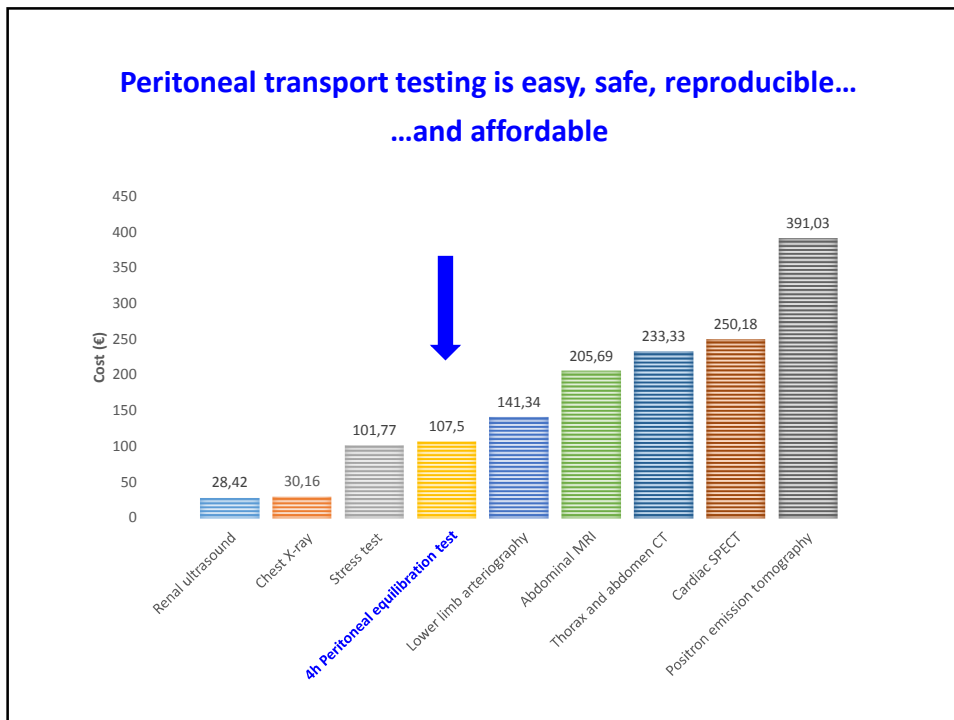
**Endothelial AQP1 → critical role in water removal during peritoneal dialysis**

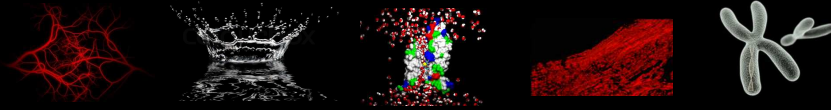
Devuyst et al, Am J Physiol 1998 ; Ni et al, Kidney Int 2005

### Peritoneal transport testing – expectations from clinical practice



### Peritoneal transport testing is easy, safe, reproducible... ...and affordable



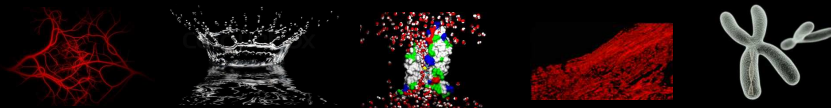


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**« Prediction is very difficult,  
especially if about the future »**

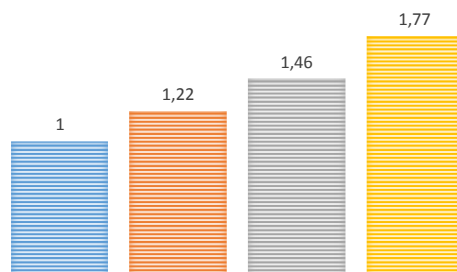
- Niels Borh

### Impact of baseline peritoneal solute transport on the risk of death

2006 – meta-analysis - 20 observational studies  
Mainly CAPD, glucose only

#### RISK OF DEATH ACCORDING TO TRANSPORT STATUS

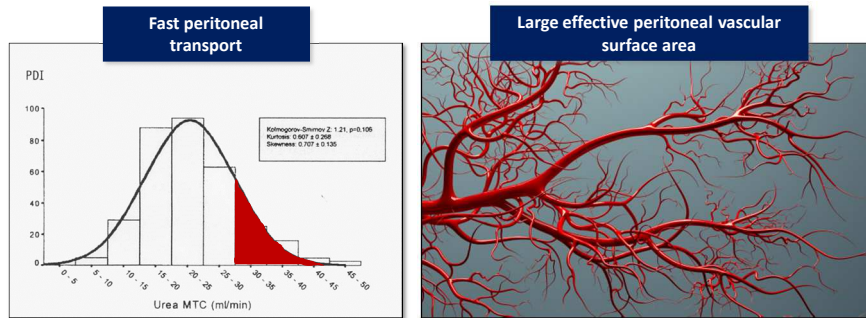
■ Slow ■ Slow-average ■ Fast-average ■ Fast



**Fast transport status → higher mortality risk**

Brimble, J Am Soc Nephrol 2006

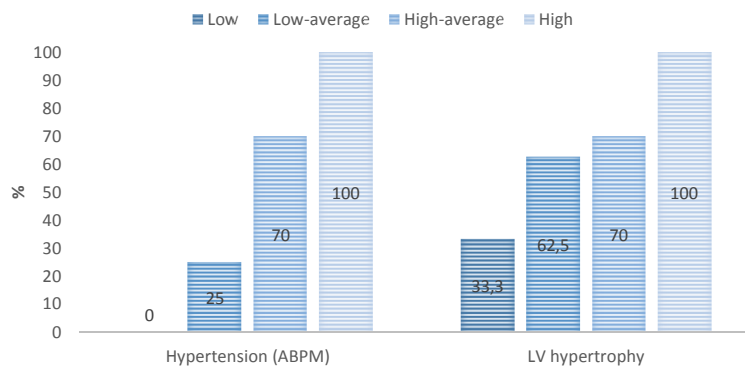
### Fast transport status and UF capacity



**Fast transport status → Large effective vascular surface area  
 → Rapid glucose absorption and dissipation of the osmotic gradient → Poor UF**

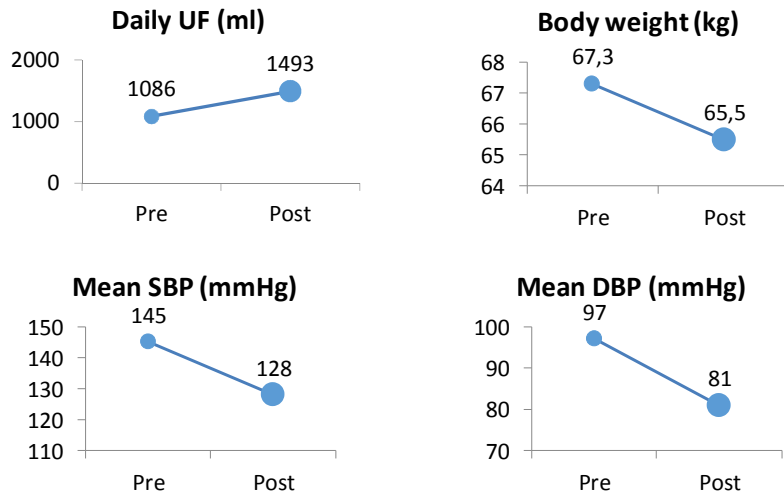
### Fast transport status, fluid overload and the risk of death

*Prevalence of hypertension (24-h ABPM) and LV hypertrophy in prevalent PD patients according to transport status*



**Patients with fast transport status on CAPD  
 Fluid overload → Increased risk of death from cardiovascular events**

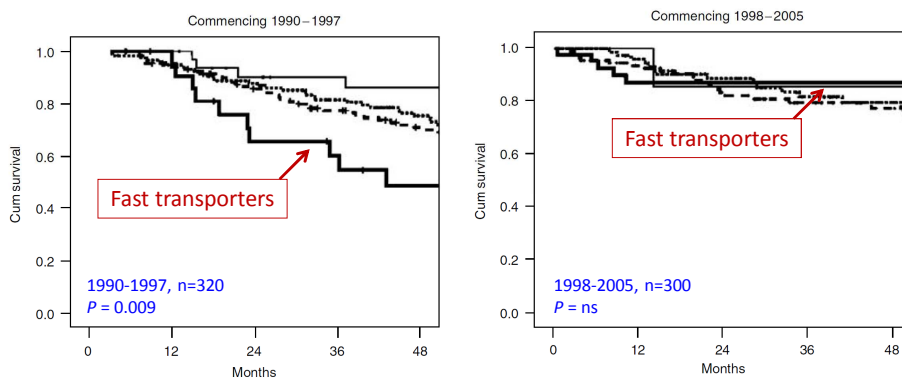
**Individualizing PD prescription  
can mitigate peritoneal membrane characteristics and improve survival**



Tongul, *Perit Dial Int* 2003

**New era: individualizing PD prescription**

*Survival on PD according to transport category at the start of treatment (Stoke experience)*



Important changes in management of PD patients:

- Routine use of **APD with short dwells** in patients with fast transport status
- Use of **icodextrin** → avoid dialysis exchanges with net fluid reabsorption

Davies, *Kidney Int* 2006



Baseline peritoneal solute transport rate  
should be evaluated in PD patients



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Baseline peritoneal membrane transport characteristics *should be established after initiating a daily PD therapy.*



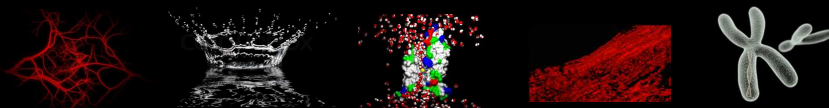
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An evaluation of peritoneal membrane characteristics *should be used to guide prescription* of PD therapy



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Patient's membrane transport status should be evaluated by the standard peritoneal equilibration test (PET).

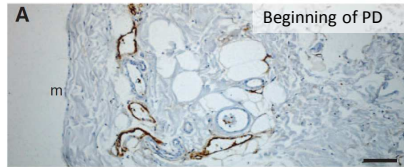


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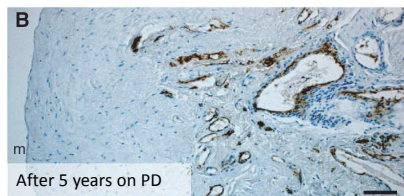
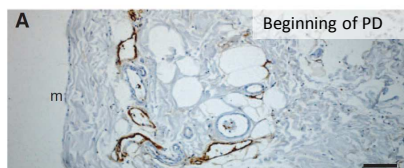
### Changes in peritoneal membrane during long-term PD



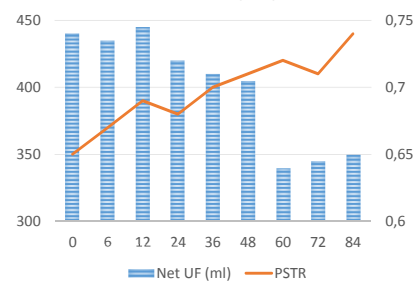
The peritoneum is a living tissue

Devuyst, *J Am Soc Nephrol* 2010; Davies, *J Am Soc Nephrol* 2004

### Changes in peritoneal membrane during long-term PD



n = 574 incident PD patients  
Stoke-on-Trent (UK) cohort



Progressive increase in PSTR  
Loss of UF capacity

Devuyst, *J Am Soc Nephrol* 2010; Davies, *J Am Soc Nephrol* 2004

## Peritoneal function should be monitored during PD



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Peritoneal membrane transport testing should be **repeated when clinically indicated**



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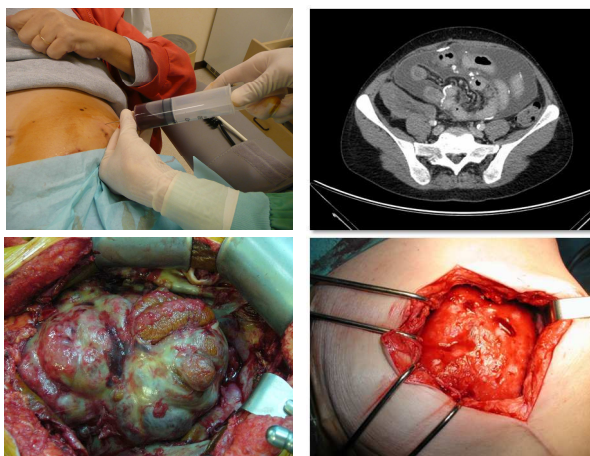
An evaluation of peritoneal membrane characteristics should **routinely be repeated at least once per year** or when **new clinical problems** (overhydration, malnutrition, metabolic disturbances) are noticed.



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PETs should be repeated **at 2 years and then annually**. PETs should be repeated earlier if there is **clinical evidence of fluid overload** with a significant decrease in ultrafiltration, hypertension or elevated serum urea levels (...).

## Encapsulating peritoneal sclerosis (EPS)

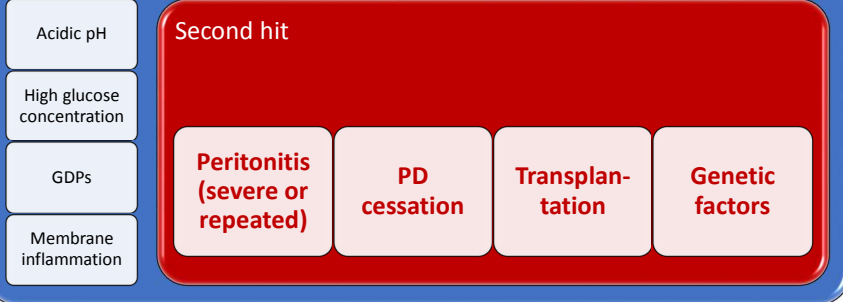


*Devastating syndrome of **excessive fibrotic peritoneal thickening** that can eventually **encapsulate the bowel**, leading to **partial or total bowel obstruction***

Courtesy Prof. C. Verger, T. Augustine and E. Goffin

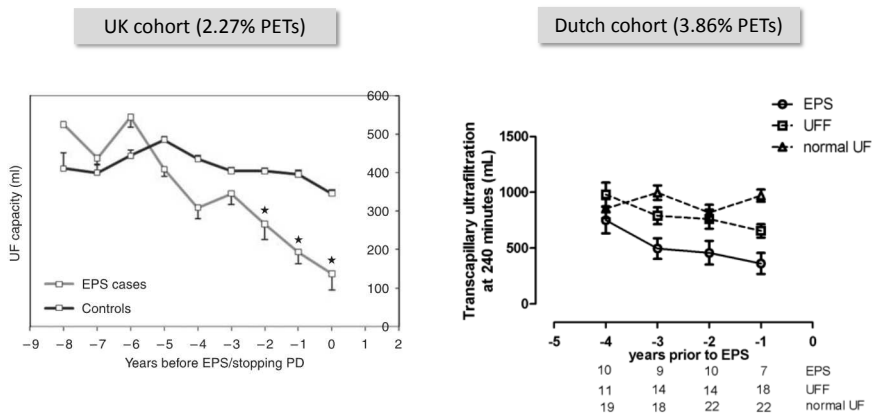
### Physiopathology of EPS: the 'two hit theory'

First hit: exposure to non-physiologic dialysis solutions



>2/3 of the patients develop EPS after PD has been stopped  
No predictive tool to identify patients at risk for EPS

### Changes in peritoneal transport before EPS onset



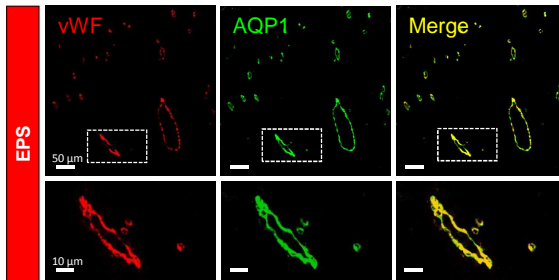
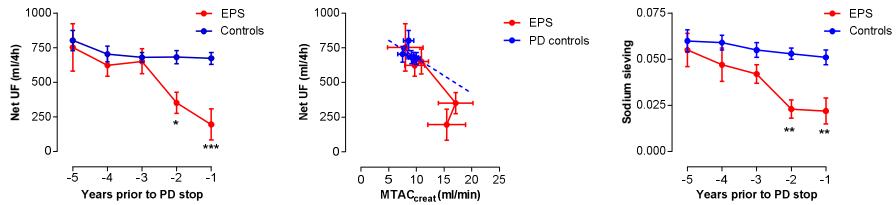
Loss of UF capacity and UF failure frequently occur before the onset of overt EPS

Lambie et al, *Kidney Int* 2010; Sampinon, *Nephrol Dial Transplant* 2011

### Mechanisms of loss of ultrafiltration in patients with EPS

UCL Brussels, 1994-2013, yearly 3.86% PET

7 EPS cases versus 28 PD-duration and gender-matched controls



#### Patients who will develop EPS

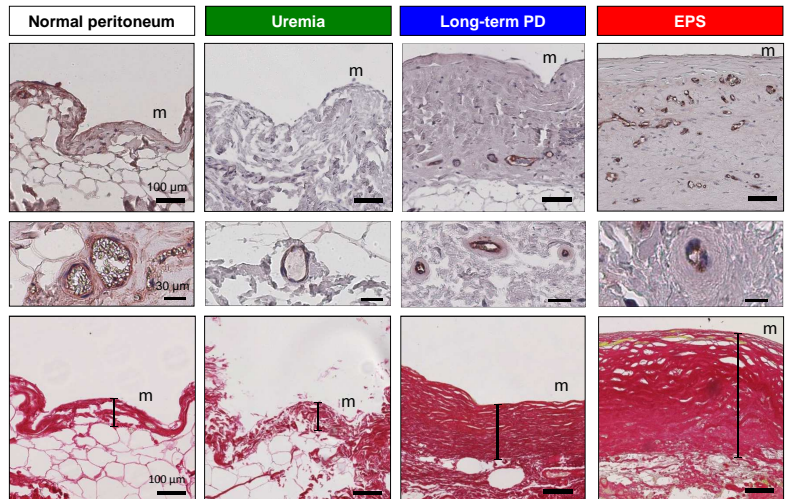
- Loss of UF (uncoupling)
- Loss of sodium sieving
- Preserved AQP1 expression

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*Patients who will develop EPS  
have a premature loss of water transport*

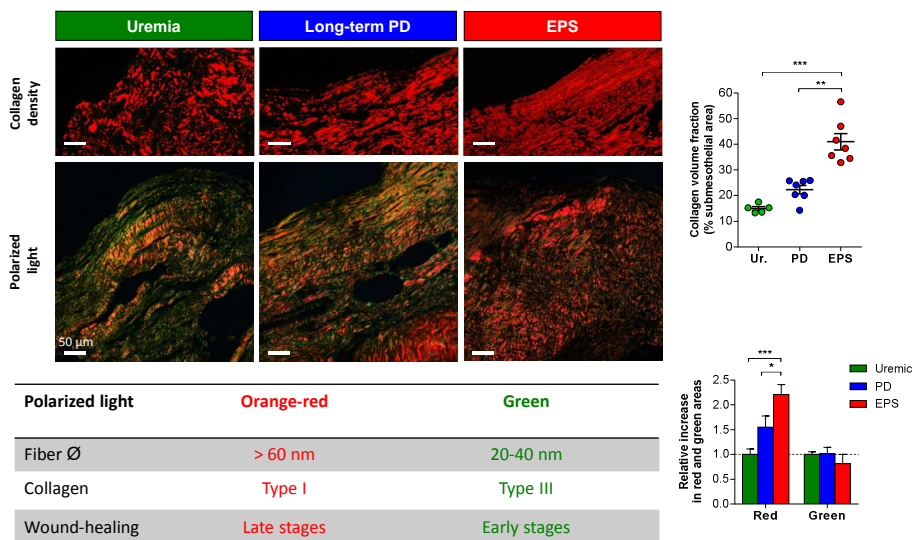
*→ Effect of peritoneal remodelling/fibrosis?*

### Vascular and fibrotic changes in the EPS peritoneum



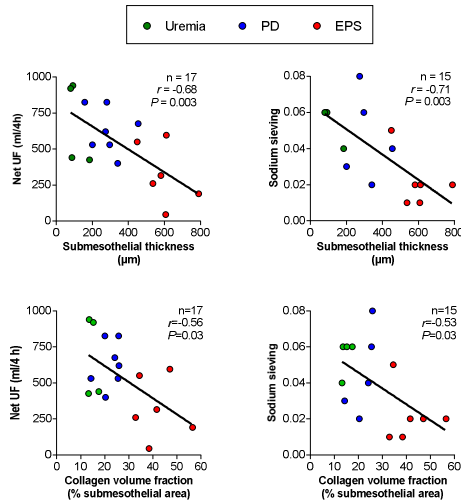
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### Collagen density and optical properties under polarized light microscopy



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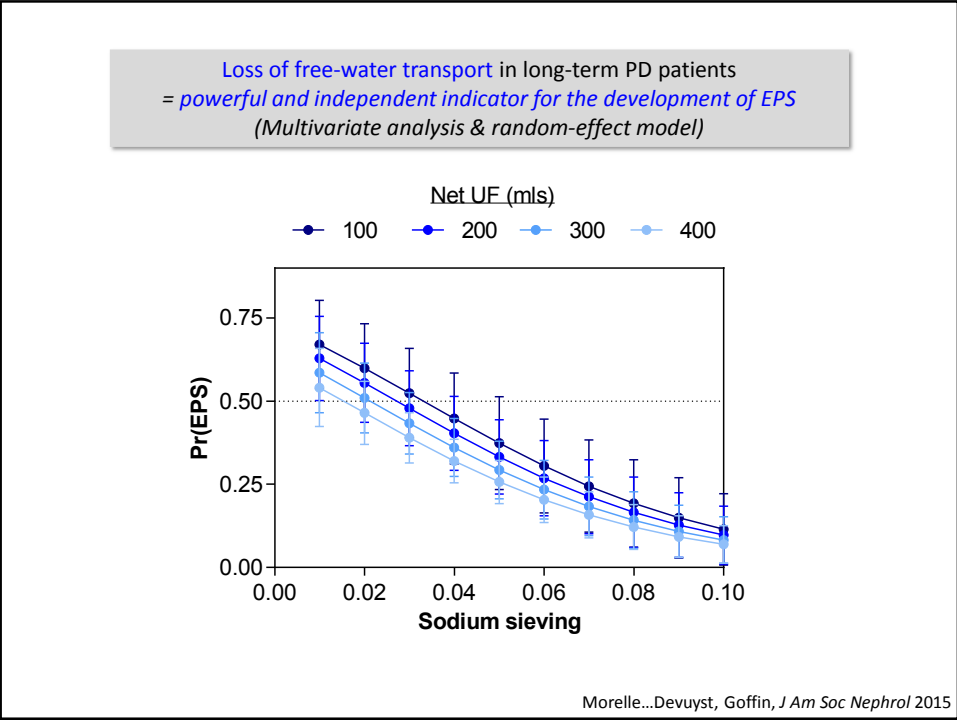
### Effect of fibrosis on water transport across the peritoneum



*The thicker and more dense in collagen fibers the peritoneum is, less it is capable of transporting water*

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*Clinical relevance of impaired osmotic water transport before onset of overt EPS?*



The Value of Osmotic Conductance and Free Water Transport in the Prediction of Encapsulating Peritoneal Sclerosis

Denise E. Sampimon,\* Deirisa Lopes Barreto,\* Annemieke M. Coester, Dirk G. Struijk, Raymond T. Krediet

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**A simple model to predict encapsulating peritoneal sclerosis in patients undergoing peritoneal dialysis: a 20 years prospective controlled longitudinal cohort study of peritoneal membrane function**

Vincenzo La Milia, Elisabetta Sironi, Selena Longhi and Giuseppe Pontoriero  
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*How should long-term PD patients with loss of sodium sieving be managed?*

*What we have (recently) learned*

