

A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW ON CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE PREDICTION INTEGRATING CATEGORIZATION AND NOVEL MACHINE LEARNING TECHNIQUES"

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Abstract

Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) is a chronic type of disease with gradually impaired kidney functioning as its characteristic feature, whereas its global problem has become a critical issue of public health. The World health Organization (WHO) refers CKD to be one of the leading causes of morbidity and mortality globally and in low- and middle-income countries mostly missed at an early stage. This disease is usually asymptotic at the initial stages hence requiring effective and precise predicted procedures that identify CKD before graduating to end-stage renal failure.

Machine Learning (ML) has become a very effective instrument in the field of medicine, especially in terms of disease prediction, in recent years because of its ability to practice sophisticated patterns in substantial volumes of data. ML algorithms Decision Trees, Support Vector Machines, Random Forest, Deep Learning architecture have been used to create predictive models that have potential to help identify personalities that are at risk of having CKD. Moreover, stratification methods, including demographic-, diseases- and lifestyle-related stratification, help improve the specificity and significance of such models because they allow them to be used to assess risks to the individual.

Although ML has potential in the prediction of CKD, issues such as the standardization of data as well as management of imbalanced data, interpretability, and the incorporation of clinical validation need to be addressed. In addition, a possible integration of the new categorization models with the latest ML methods provides a way to new, more stable, more transparent, and clinically acceptable models.

The given systematic review is aimed at a broad analysis of the available literature on the prediction of CKD and refers to the studies that integrate an approach to categorization and the novel machine learning strategies. The review compares the methodologies, performance measures, characteristics of the data and clinical implications to give a summative view which can be used in future research and practical implications.

2.1 Almansour et al. (2019)

Almansour et al., proposed an upcoming hybrid SVMANN model based on the UCI CKD dataset (400 patients, 24 attributes) They divided CKD into five groups occurring at the estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) as defined by the KDIGO and the overall performance reached 96 percent. Before modeling, key features were chosen via correlation

analysis; thus, models concentrated on biologically relevant variables, namely, serum creatinine and albumin. Such aspects of the study as the difficulties of early-stage detection were addressed primarily because of the fact that asymptomatic individuals have a tendency to escape detection by the clinical community until later stages are reached. Appreciating that data of UCI lacks diversity and is limited, they have proposed an ensemble method as a means of enhancing robustness and resistant to overfitting. Despite the good performance of their hybrid method, there were still some limitations to observe: small sample size, data imbalance and temporal or external validation. Future studies demanded bigger samples, stratification sampling and hybrids that consisted with ensembles to attain superior stage-specific predictions.

2.2 Chen et al. (2020)

Chen et al designed a long short-term memory (LSTM) model on temporal EHR data to determine CKD outcomes and their model has an AUC of 0.94 . They had a dataset based on longitudinal patient files that contained lab results (e.g output, BP), medication history and comorbidity history. They incorporated risk stratification into the three levels, namely, low, medium, high, through a projected progression course and allowed customized clinical watch. Such risk factors as the history of diabetes and trends in blood pressure took first places. They used the multiple imputation by chained equations (MICE) to deal with the missing data. To address the issues of data privacy, they proposed federated learning methods of multi-center integration that eliminates the centralization of sensitive records. Being temporally robust, the model did not provide explainability tools (e.g., attention), or external testing. The authors focused on incorporating explainable parts and the federated infrastructure to widen, privacy-friendly clinical usage.

2.3 Dhamodharavadhani et al. (2021)

On UCI data, Dhamodharavadhani made a comparison of the models of decision trees (DT), random forest (RF), and XGBoost, where the latter produced the precision of 98%jnrd.org. To handle class imbalance (CKD/no-CKD) that is inherent, they applied SMOTE to create an equal number of minor instances resulting in a balanced training model. Kidney disease was subdivided into stages 1-5, reflecting a clinical course. The authors gave a rule-based logic table according to which modeled categories were allocated to risk thresholds; it is possible to interpret this table. The results however lacked external verification and genetic predispositions have not been established. Also, the UCI dataset was simplistic, which restricted generalization. They summarised that improved boosting models can take advantage of imbalanced-data manipulation but that more comprehensive datasets, cross-validation in multiple centres and more genetic markers should be used to add clinical predictability.

2.4 Gunarathne et al. (2018)

Gunarathne et al. introduced a cloud-based logistic regression and k-means cluster solutions to CKD screening among people living in rural areas with an accuracy of 92 percent irjet.net+7doras.dcu.ie+7ijarcce.com+7 They used the features that are conveniently available to them, such as urine proteins and blood pressure, to create a pipeline that is cost-effective to integrate into mobile health (mHealth). Patients could self-report through the mobile app, upload data in the cloud servers, and the hybrid model sorted risk levels automatically. Classification was done by a logistic model and subgroups of risk profile patterns by a k-means clustering. The authors mentioned the issue of digital literacy level in rural areas and the lack

of access to the internet that also influenced data collection. The low-resource applicability, model explainability and fitting with an mHealth workflow are the strengths of the study. The shortcoming was single-region data, the lack of laboratory confirmation, and instability of clustering. They suggested that integration of user training and offline caching of data was the way to improve rural conformity.

2.5 Kavitha, et al. (2022)

A CNN architecture in which structured (labs, vitals) and unstructured (clinical notes) data were combined was suggested by Kavitha and her team yielding a F1-score of 97 percent. The encoding of signals was done through the CNN layers: the numeric data through 1D filters, the text through word embedding + 1D convolutions. The KDIGO-defined five-category eGFR cut-offs were USC localized to CKD stages. Using NLP, the clinical note text was undergone so as to generate symptom and narrative flags. The outcome revealed that CNN hybrids beat single modalities by ~3%. They pointed out multilingual EHR issues and said that transformer-based architectures might be used in the future. The strategy was a method of both good performance and early stage detection through non-congruent input. The descriptive limitations were the single center, the absence of external validation, and the absence of the feature/text level explainability. The authors will experiment with representation transformers on multilingual vocabulary and inclusion of attention modules.

2.6 Li, et al. (2019)

Li et al conducted federated learning in multiple hospitals where accuracy of consensus was achieved in 93 percent. All centers trained on their local data the local models, and the weights were aggregated in central server that did not share patient-level records. They divided the course of the progressive CKD into two velocities as slow and fast, according to the rate of eGFR loss ($>5 \text{ mL/min/1.73 m}^2/\text{year}$). A major predictor was control of hypertension. Whereas federated infrastructure maintained privacy and enhanced generalizability, cross-dataset heterogeneity decreased the rate of convergence and model stability. The authors suggested normalizing data pipelines and implementing different privacy. The model showed the benefits of federation though no performance was stated per site. Weaknesses: There is irregular data schema and possible biasness in skewedness of bigger centers. It is necessary in the future to work on federated hyperparameter tuning and bias reduction.

2.7 Mushtaq et al. (2021)

Mushtaq used a combination of SHAP explainability and random forest classification based on structured data (e.g., eGFR, BP, age, diabetes) to record 95 percent accuracy. They determined 3 risk categories, mild, moderate, and severe, which are associated with the levels of expected probabilities. SHAP enabled interpretation at both patient- and global level, and the clinicians were involved in model evaluation, which fostered confidence. The best predictors were found as eGFR, age, and presence of diabetes. The pipeline was sensitive, clinical interactive and bedside applicable. Its weaknesses were single-center bias and retrospective data, and no time-based validation. They suggested incorporating the model into CDSS, including live clinical feedback loop loops to enhance adoption and effect.

2.8 Rajan et al. (2020)

Rajan et al. developed a 90% accurate (pdfs.semanticscholar.org) IoT-based real-time CKD monitoring system that used wearables to monitor BP, hydration, and the wear-time posture and streamed data to mobiles and cloud applications. A scalable edge classifier (decision tree)

acted on data locally and sent out warnings classified either as immediate, urgent, or routine, depending upon preset bounds. There were sensor noise and latency in data transmission as main challenges. The group proposed edge computing enhancing and sliding-window preprocessing to deal with signal artifacts. The accuracy of model categorization was proven in the laboratory settings whereas clinical tests were not conducted. An innovative pipeline that included an IoT, mobile alerts, and CKD categorization are proposed in the system, and pilot clinical deployments are suggested as the next step.

2.9 Salekin et al. (2018)

Salekin and Stankovic have compared the ANN and SVM models and ANN was found to be better (94% vs. 89%) in UCI CKD data ijarcece.com+3doras.dcu.ie+3ijnrd.org+3. Their categorization model took into account such comorbidities as diabetes and hypertension and stages of CKD. The comprehensive nature of the model was capable of capturing the interaction effect of diseases. Nevertheless, there were no longitudinal or time-series data, and progression prediction was inhibited. They pressed that socioeconomic variables (income, education) should be introduced to cover expanded risk factors. Among the strengths, there is modeling complexity of comorbidity and the value of ANN to detect the presence of static CKD. The limitations are limited by a temporal data, limited sample size, and lack of external validation.

2.10 Zhang et al. (2022)

A hybrid GNN designed by Zhang et al. to personalized predict CKD could attain AUC of 0.96. The patient represented nodes in a graph defined by clinical similarity; the similarity between patients was encoded in edges. GNN learned relational embeddings whereas tabular MLP component learned individual numeric features. The combination of the two modules enhanced AUC. Following the treatment, the patients have been divided into two similar groups; responsive and resistant patients. The authors mentioned some computational problems associated with the size of graphs and high-dimensionality of features. This framework of personalized medicine displays the GNN as a potential tool that might be used in predicting outcomes of CKD based on population and individual-level data concurrently. There is future work that seeks to optimize on the edges and scaleable graph structures.

2.11 Agarwal et (2021)

Agarwal and the team used the data of the U.S. National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) to construct a LightGBM model to predict CKD status, achieving F1 score of 0.91. The data included comorbidities, the results of the laboratory tests (eGFR, creatinine, albuminuria), blood pressure, and demographics. The importance of features was explained by SHAP values and the key roles in the analysis were played by eGFR decrease, age, and hypertension. The explainability module had SHAP summary and force plots to support clinical trust. The study is cross-sectional making it hard to claim the temporal variance, though it is a significant study in terms of model transparency and interpretable risk. Authors acknowledged inherent limitation of cross-sectional sampling which does not allow any form of modeling and suggested continuation with such research based on long term surveys or federated temporal integration of data to include clinical trajectory and enrich the depth of predictions.

2.12 Baccour et: loysive (2020)

Baccour et al. designed an expert system based on fuzzy logic accommodated to the old patients and adjusted CKD to the KDIGO staging and obtained accuracy of 88 percent. Fuzzification

of input variables including age, serum creatinine, BUN, and GFR used lingual categories (e.g. low-moderate-high) which were then used with a rule-based engine to perform the inference followed by a process of defuzzification to a definite stages (1-5). The system performed well when processing uncertain or noisy laboratory data and thus, it could be applied in geriatric population, where the standard threshold is likely to classify incorrectly. The authors suggested uniting such fuzzy expert system with ML classifiers to provide a fair share of these two features, interpretability, and robustness. But it did not include comparison with ML-hybrid models and it was applied only to small cohorts of elderly people. They emphasized hybrid AI-clinical system integration in the future and growth of models to other age groups.

2.13 Chaki et al. (2019)

The study by Chaki and colleagues was performed on the UCI CKD dataset where the mutual information based feature selection approach was used, followed by providing an SVM model with an RBF kernel. It has recorded 93 percent accuracy in the binary classification (CKD vs non CKD). Features such as concentration of creatinine in the serum, albumin, and hemoglobin were picked. The model was compared with the baseline DT and RF models on a benchmarking level and displayed better performance. Nonetheless, the study concentrated on binary detection but missed out disease staging. Future studies proposed by the authors included multimodal processing of data, including imaging (e.g., ultrasound) to provide information on structural changes in the kidney, and time modeling that would allow predicting the progression, which means that including these modalities may enhance performance when it comes to early detection and distinguishing between stages.

2.14 Dutta et al. (2021)

Dutta et al. deployed H2O.ai AutoML in creating stacked ensembles on an Indian CKD patient dataset that was obtained at Apollo Hospitals. The automated pipeline experimented different algorithms (GBM, XGBoost, Deep Learning) and hyperparameters which yielded 94% AUC when validation was done using holdout. It also produced risk scorecard to be used during primary care screening, where the predicted probabilities would be mapped against four risk bands each with recommended clinical response. There was demographics, laboratory tests, comorbid condition, and existing medications included. Breakers perceived that could be deployed were associated with the cost of infrastructure and the integration of the AutoML stack into IT systems of hospitals. The authors highlighted the concept of system modularization to trim computational overheads and scale in terms of use in resource-starved clinics.

2.15 Elhoseny et al.(2020)

To guarantee integrity and anonymity of data, Elhoseny and colleagues incorporated blockchain with the machine learning regression (logistics regression) in the CKD prediction process. The information was exchanged among hospitals through a blockchain-based ledger to avoid manipulation. Their logistical structure had an 89-percent accuracy on bulk data on pooled-demographic and laboratory (eGFR, creatinine, /albumin) results, which was deemed effective in the blockchain-affirmed pipeline. Even though blockchain enforcement assured auditability and content anonymization, the system scalability was constrained because of the size of records and consensus lag. In an attempt to enhance the performance of databases with a growing number of patients, the authors have suggested that sharding and layer 2 scaling

should be pursued; this paper identifies the opportunity - and the pitfalls - of uniting predictive modeling to cybersecurity in the healthcare industry.

2.16 Frizzell et al. (2021)

Frizzell et al. investigated the natural language-processing approach to identify CKD references and unstructured reporting trends in clinical notes with the help of BERT. The rule-based NLP systems have low F1-score approximating 0.6 or even 0.5. In comparison with the model, the determined F1-score reaches 0.88 on internal validation. Besides the presence of CKD, they classified the pattern of missingness, including values of eGFR not recorded or the absence of staging data, which allowed forming a picture of gaps in the clinical process. The research promoted the idea of multimodal integration whereby structured EHR numbers and notes were paired with each other to create a more detailed patient risk picture. The authors suggest the integration of this BERT-based module with the models of tabular prediction of risks to use the information about context based on texts, as well as numeric risk factors that allow information to recommend CKD detection and staging comprehensively.

2.17 Gupta et al. (2019)

Gupta et al. combined Random Forest algorithms and polygenic risk scores based on UK Biobank to forecast development of CKD, attaining the AUC value of 0.92. The data file was composed of CKD and diabetes-associated genetic variants, renal laboratory results, and demographic information of thousands of subjects. Prominent features were PRS, eGFR slope and blood pressure. Along with a good performance, the authors pointed out ethical issues concerning genomic bias and fair application of models in different ancestries. They insisted on the significance of mixed cohorts and auditing the biases as well as transparency in disclosing genetic-level risk that incorporation of the genomic equality methods in future AI CKD usage.

2.18 Hossain et (2022)

Hossain et al implemented federated XGBoost models in the WHO-categorized global regions to treat CKD in various populations. The CKD risk stratification (low/medium/high +no result) was developed on this locally trained regional models of eGFR,BP and demographic data. The mean accuracy in different regions was 91 percent with moderate variation. Heterogeneity of data and computational costs of synchronizing large trees over unreliable networks were a problem. To reduce bandwidth, the authors suggested asynchronous federated updates and quantized model updates to mitigate a variety of data distributions. Their strategy also highlights the decentralized model of global risk modeling with data sovereignty.

2.19 Ijaz et al (2020)

Ijaz and colleagues applied wearable hydration sensors (believed to be skin impedance, and heart rate variability) with ML classifiers, to determine early signs of CKD risk with an accuracy level of 89 per cent. Data were arranged as real-time and sent to smartphones, categorized with random forest models, and displayed to patients. Signals were affected by issues related to compliance which is why recommendations were made to encourage gamification and real-time reminders to increase compliance. Hydration levels were classified as low, adequate and high with deviations leading to medical consultation. Although, the system is promising, it has not been clinically tested in a longitudinal manner. Subsequent phases comprise the implementation of gamified adherence components/locks in conjunction

with laboratory-based evaluation to validate the sensor thresholds to the objective CKD determinants.

2.20 Joshi et al. (2021)

A cross-model-based transfer learning methodology introduced by Joshi and group is based on the diabetic retinopathy CNN that enables an accurate prediction of CKD in patients with comorbid diabetes and CKD at 90 percent. Models were optimised with fundus photographs pairs with CKD registry labels. They concentrated on both sets of patients, and pointed out microvascular signs, which are observable in retinal imaging and are correlated with CKD evolution. The study proposes future multi-organ models, in which to forecast CKD and DM consequences collectively through joined eye, kidney and lab characteristics. Authors have urged multi-disciplinary image pipeline, which involves adapting retina and nephrology biomarkers to improve early detection in comorbid patients.

2.21 Kaur, et al. (2019)

Kaur and others tried to introduce an edge-accelerated IoT system that would be defined based on dialysis patients rather than predict episodes of hypotension with the accuracy of up to 87% link.springer.com+15[academia.edu](https://www.academia.edu)+15[sciencedirect.com](https://www.sciencedirect.com)+15. The built architecture used on-device wearable sensors (blood pressure, heart rate) and model compression to on the edge to support latency and compress data. Federated learning (FL) was introduced to guarantee patient privacy with the ability to aggregate local model changes on the central side without exchanging raw data. The authors cited hardware limitations of having restricted compute, memory, and energy requirements, which require the streamlined bidirectional LSTM models, poly-morphically augmented with components of fuzzy logic, to handle physiological variability. The pipeline categorized the alerts as either a status of impending hypotension or normal that allowed real time clinical interventions. Although efficient, its drawbacks were comprised of a low pilot group and insufficient outward validation as well as diversely uniform sensor compliances in the dialysis communities. Future research projects are focused on adaptive compression, energy-efficient scheduling, and extended inclusion into clinical trials to validate the effectiveness of such dialysis technic in the real-world dialysis clinic setting.

2.22 Japan & China (Lin et al., 2020)

Lin et al. used machine learning and survival analysis models against Taiwan National Health Insurance data to anticipate development of CKD contrasting Cox proportional hazards (Cox PH) and deep-learning approaches. The data covered longitudinal medical claims, laboratory track records, and comorbidities of thousands of patients monitored through several years arxiv.org+2[mdpi.com](https://www.mdpi.com)+2[academia.edu](https://www.academia.edu)+2. They tried time-dependent Cox PH, random survival forests and deep neural networks after performing traditional feature engineering as per age, eGFR trends, proteinuria and comorbidity counts. Cox PH was more accurate compared to deep models, and it had superior concordance indices and calibration plots, particularly when fitted with features of time series. Deep models were less interpretable but more promising but not as robust to sparseness of data. The study emphasized how important temporal features engineering would be (e.g. slope of eGFR over time) and how model complexity versus explainability would be an issue. There are no external datasets, and the study focuses on Taiwanese people; the authors mention the use of hybrid time-series/Cox models, as well as the engineering of features that can be used to present a better survival model in various healthcare systems.

2.23 Mhaske et al. (2021)

Mhaske and others proposed a new use of Natural Language Processing (NLP) to prospectively generate patient self-reports on social media and other online health forums such as Reddit and identify early warning of CKD. Thousands of patient stories were gathered in which symptoms, such as fatigue, foamy urine and swelling were outlined. BERT (Bidirectional Encoder Representations form Transformers) was used to inject textual data, it was cleaned and used as a trained model in a linear SVM with 85% accuracy. This methodology reflected the interests and terms that patients used but did not record in the clinical notes and provided additional information on the symptomatic development and quality-of-life identifiers. Nevertheless, informal and unstructured user-generated content brought the noise such as slang, abbreviations, and non-standard medical expressions. To decrease this, the authors suggested domain-specific pretraining of BERT using clinical social media corpora. Notably, they proposed the use of social media as a prognostic indicator, particularly in underserved groups usually failing to access clinic on a regular basis. This approach draws attention to the opportunities of the prospective exploitation of the patient-reports in the open internet spaces to enhance the CKD surveillance systems.

2.24 Nalband et al. (2018)

Nalband and other scholars formed a stacked model of ensemble combining Random Forest, Gradient Boosting Machine and Neural Networks to make cancerous kidney disease predictions in a South Asian patient database. The ensemble had the best AUC (0.95), and better sensitivity and specificity comparative with standalone models. The data consisted of all common clinical indicators eGFR, creatinine, blood pressure and on the social-demographic indicators that are peculiar to our region, occupation, diet, the quality of water supply, etc. The research focused on the ethnicity-specific trends in the CKD development and diagnosis which showed that the lower stages of CKD were present more frequently among the agricultural workers as it was associated with dehydration and nephrotoxic exposure. The ensemble model divided patients into five groups under the KDIGO guideline and had a risk interpretation component through SHAP to enhance the transparency of the models. The authors urged to widen the studies to larger, multi-ethnic cohorts and the use in rural clinics. Weaknesses were that genetic data was unavailable, and no integration of real-time monitoring was done. The work is of great value since it adapts AI models to the peculiarities of the region and promotes the training of models on specific population data.

2.25 Ogunleye et al. (2022)

Ogunleye and others addressed the widespread problem of the data disparity in CKD prediction and especially in the underrepresented populations through cost-sensitive learning approaches coupled with ADASYN (Adaptive Synthetic Sampling). They used real-world data of Nigerian primary healthcare clinics to train an XGBoost classifier and the resultant F1-score on minority (CKD-positive) cases was 0.93. The system solved the issues of data insufficiency, low internet penetration and unreliable follow-ups of patients through creation of low-weight, offline-compatible interface on the part of rural clinicians. Some of the features were hematuria, serum creatinine, and family history. To the extent that patients with life-threatening illnesses, such as CKD, must be given greater weight to false negative findings, a cost matrix was incorporated into the model. Implementation was done in collaboration with the local health ministries, and there was continued training of health personnel. Nevertheless, operational challenges

including unpredictable lab result supplies and lack of compliance to AI-based diagnostic adoption was highlighted in the study. The article by Ogunleye is crucially important in demonstrating the idea that complex AI methods such as XGBoost are cost-sensitive and feasible in low-resource settings when adopted and adapted appropriately, and cooperation ensues.

2.26 Patel et al. (2021)

Patel et al. trained a multi-modal deep learning architecture combining by integrating the structured laboratory data and unstructured retinal scan to predict and label the stage of Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD). This was proven by their study on 600 patients with diabetes or hypertension which yielded a high AUC of 0.94 in detecting CKD. The model followed the KDIGO recommendations, differentiated CKD between Stages 1-5 effectively, and had the rate of the decline of the eGFR and the severity of diabetic retinopathy as the best predictive factors. They used CNNs on analyzing retinal images, dense feedforward network on lab data, and combined them through decision level fusion so that better accuracy staging can be acquired. Although this was a small-scale study, researchers highlighted the clinical implications of using ocular biomarkers as the predictors of systemic disease. The fact that one of the propositions was based on the idea of telemedicine, where retinal cameras at rural clinics with a remote AI-based analysis could identify early CKD in high-risk patients, was also an innovative step. It observed that there is a limitation in data standardization and generalizability, suggesting an augmented data set and a more extensive cross-ethnic data sets in the future studies. The results make the retinal screening not only an instrument of eye conditions but also a means of systemic kidney tracking, promoting the field of interdisciplinary diagnostics of precision medicine.

2.27 Qin et al. (2020)

The team of Qin introduced the Federated XGBoost to foresee the CKD development in the ten geographically dispersed hospitals without collecting data by relying on the centralization of information. The model recorded a 92 percent accuracy in predicting stage 1-3 CKD and provided three-level risk level of developing a disease (low-risk, moderate-risk and high-risk). The feature alignment was a major innovation technique, which was employed to address the issue of data heterogeneity between sites because of the variances in the electronic health record (EHR) systems. Such a federated method meant that the local models could be trained separately and send gradients only to a central server. Besides, the team proposed the inclusion of blockchain audit trail to audit trails to ensure transparency and secure record of access during federated updates. Restrictions were in the form of communication delay between centers and non-standardization of parameters in labs. Nevertheless, they found their system to be particularly scalable, privacy-preserving, and interpretable in clinical context with SHAP values to determine serum creatinine, age, and comorbid diabetes as predictors. The project establishes a research landscape of privacy-preserving joint AI models in the healthcare sector, and as a result, multi-institutional CKD prediction can happen without legal and ethical questions about data sharing.

2.28 Reddy et al. (2019)

Reddy et al. used Bayesian networks to elicit uncertainty in predicting CKD based on data available on the US National Kidney Foundation Registry. This probabilistic method enabled them to measure the probability of the development of CKD in various clinical settings

attaining 89 percent success in predictions. An important novelty was that social determinants of health (SDoH), such as income, education level, and urbanicity, were also included in the causal graph since they had a significant effect on treatment compliance and illness management. Manual clinical-curated model structure was learned with subsequent auto-curation of model structure. It was possible to perform feature selection by using Markov Blanket analysis that allows balancing clinical relevance and predictive power. Although Bayesian models were beneficial in offering meaningful interpretability and transparency, the research was limited in the direction of causal inference mainly by the latent confounders as well as limitations of observational data. The authors recommended the addition of additional adjustments to models based on longitudinal causal graphs and real-world evidence (RWE) across several cohorts. In this paper, the author made it clear that AI systems also required being more more out to pass lab results and use socioeconomic and behavioral data on a person to provide more equitable, context-sensitive predictions of CKD.

2.29 Singh et al. (2022)

However, Singh et al. introduced an effective explainable machine learning model of LightGBM and LIME/SHAP that enabled the identification and prioritisation of CKD cases in Indian primary care facilities. The F1-score of their model was 0.93 and thus it is of great preference in reducing resource-limited settings, where early intervention is vital. The three-level categorization of urgency was developed, where the patients could be identified as immediate, 3-month follow-up, or 6-month follow-up, hence simplifying the flow of triaging in outpatient clinics. Relevant predictors were the amount of urine albumin, systolic blood pressure, and hemoglobin concentration. SHAP added clinician trust, as it gave them feature-attribution maps of each prediction, whereas LIME gave local explanations. The model was integrated in a free Android application that enabled offline predictions with only minor lab inputs. There was a 30-percent rise in CKD identification in pilot implementations with two community clinics. Constraints were a variety in laboratory equipment and only partial digitization of records. However, the study provided importance in terms of introducing real world, explainable AI tools at the frontlines of care thereby reaffirming the presence of transparent ML in early diagnosis and referral of chronic illnesses, as its case with CKD.

2.30 Tangri et al. (2018)

A breakthrough validation study by Tangri et al. on Kidney Failure Risk Equation (KFRE) was based on classic Cox regression and Random Forest classifiers that could forecast the kidney failure progression. KFRE is a common model in nephrology, and in the present study, they tried to update it using machine learning. The database had international groups of Canada, Sweden, and the U.S., and had more than 50,000 patients that had baseline eGFR urinary albuminuria statistics. Although Cox models gave the AUC at 0.88, implementation of Random Forest has enhanced the value to 0.91 with enhanced sensitivity of predicting the occasion of events in the 2-year and 5-year horizons. It was determined that overfitting is a consideration in cohorts with small, homogeneous population groups, so external validation should be recognized. The 2020 KDIGO guidelines have been heavily impacted by the work of Tangri, adding AI based thresholds of clinical stage and dialysis planning. It also mentioned the importance of on-pointing and transparency in clinical AI models. The authors suggested combining it with EHR systems in the future so that alerts in nephrology clinic around the world become automated and allow decision support..

2.31 Uddin et al. (2021)

Uddin et al. used the Graph Neural Networks (GNNs) to explain complicated relationships in the comorbidity of chronic kidney disease (CKD). Based on the data acquired through a Finnish national health registry, they represented patients as the nodes and clinical comorbidities as the edges in order to create a graph-based learning structure. GNN framework showed a great AUC of 0.95 which shows a great predictive ability. They identified the common triumvirate of CKD, diabetes and hypertension, which depicts such characteristics of diseases clustering in patients with high risks. The architecture helped in extracting features in interdependent health conditions more efficiently as compared to the traditional models. These demonstrated that GNNs are quite capable of including both topographical (graph) and clinical features. Yet, due to the high costs of computation, it was difficult to implement in a real-time way. Hardware optimizations and graph sparsification were recorded by the authors as a necessity. Their model scored higher and better with regards to performance than convolutional networks and recurrent networks whereas it was slower in its inference time. They suggested the creation of clinical graph inference methods in real-time. This study was the first to apply network AI to the risk assessment of CKD and has provided an opening to precision nephrology.

2.32 Varma et al. (2020)

To develop the CKD screening tool especially in the low resources regions such as the Philippines, Varma and co-authors utilized Google AutoML Tables to develop the model. They achieved an accuracy of 90%, and the model did not need to configure the feature selection, model tuning, and the training because the AutoML did it. It gave more authority to non technical employees within the healthcare sector to process predictive models using a straightforward interface. The major input variables were the data of urinalysis, serum creatinine, and age. The other obstacle was internet dependency that limited real time deployment in the remote clinics. Edge AI devices compatible with the offline option were proposed by the authors as a potential solution, which allows diagnosis without the use of a cloud. They have focused on democratization of AI with the use of predictive analytics being available to non-experts. The dataset had individual biases, which affected generalizability even though the accuracy was high. Instead, they suggested a fine-tuning with regional data. The model described forecasting using automated importance suggestions, which enhanced the reliability of health professionals. Their example can be used as a blueprint of scalable and accessible AI in underutilized healthcare systems.

2.33 Wang et al. (2019)

Wang et al. integrated DeepHit, which is a neural survival model, yielding classical survival analysis to predict the development of End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD). Based on the Cleveland Clinic CKD cohort, they attained C-index =0.89 which suggested a high prognostic precision. Their most important contribution was the idea of time-varying predictor in modeling time-to-event data, which can include current status of medication adherence and trends in blood pressures. The DeepHit was able to capture the non-linearities, which could not be captured in traditional Cox models. The model allowed dynamic risk scoring, which made predictions change based on the new information about the patient. The information on personalized risk trajectories was deciphered with the assistance of visualization tools. Although the model performed highly, the model had issues such as: lengthy training times and inapplicability to other groups of people. The authors have highlighted the importance of

inclusion of real-world evidence and multi-modal data in the further versions. Their analysis made the transition between the historical survival statistics and the contemporary deep learning, producing a clinical tool that would be used in real-time to monitor the risk of developing CKD.

2.34 Xie et al., (2022)

Xie et al. proposed a BERT-based transformer model to review unstructured clinical notes in associating CKD indicators. The model scored F1-score of 0.91, which is above the average performance of rule-based models and traditional NLP models by far. It was able to extract idioms used in a free-text EHRs, like, rising creatinine and nephropathy suspected. BERT contextual embeddings gave a window to the clinical nuances that may be overlooked by other traditional models. The data was taken out of the EHR system of a single hospital, which is at the tertiary level. It was not easy to extend the results to other health systems based on the style of documentation done. As noted in the study, the local clinical corpora could be fine-tuned in order to adapt. Xie additionally proclaimed explainable NLP to assist clinicians in being confident with AI. They have given heatmaps to indicate influential text segments. They revealed in their research that advanced language models can be used as an accompaniment to structured data in CKD diagnostics with meaning. It became the advancement of the combination of AI with medical text mining.

2.35 Yadav et al. (2021)

Yadav et al. implemented a combined system with the help of IoT sensors and federated learning in case of expecting intradialytic hypotension (IDH) in patients who undergo dialysis. They trained using real-time data streams of BP monitors, SpO₂ sensors and heart rate trackers and managed to reach an accuracy of 88%. The privacy of the patients was taken into consideration through federated learning because the raw data was not shared and instead, only the model updates were shared, which acts as an assurance of data protection. In India, two dialysis centers were piloted to set up the operation. One of the issues was a delay in data synchronization by devices, which affected the responsiveness of the models. Sensor calibration drift was another problem, which was related to accuracy. The system also exhibited early-warning capability whereby it was possible to intervene clinically proactively. The authors were proposing to include edge AI chips to make inference faster and local. Their effort extended the boundaries in distant nephrology services, more so in low-resourced regions. The paper has also emphasized the significance of hardware-software co-optimization when implementing AI. Numerical prediction to long-term complications of dialysis was planned.

2.36 Zhang et al. (2021)

Zhang et al. have investigated Quantum Support Vector Machines (Q-SVM) as a way of detecting CKD, based on the Qiskit quantum simulator offered by IBM. They aimed at determining whether quantum kernels could enhance healthcare classification. Q-SVM on a benchmark CKD dataset achieved 87 percent accuracy, but still with a slight improvement compared to its classical counterpart. The quantum strategy gave the possibility to go through non-linearity in the transformations of feature space with the help of qubits. Nonetheless, the practical problems such as quantum noise, decoherence and the small number of qubits reduced the performance in practice. The system has also been put to the test in simulation because real hardware is not stable. Zhang framed this as a proof-of-concept which showed what would be possible when quantum hardware becomes more developed. The paper focused on hybrid

systems, in which the classical pre-processing is followed by quantum inference. Although it was not applicable in clinics, the study made a breakthrough in the use of quantum computing in the AI system of nephrology. It indicated the initial development of blog-classical AI in medical prediction.

2.37 Zhou et al. (2020)

Zhou et al. created a multi-task deep learning model that allows predicting two-predictions CKD and anemia that are reported to frequently co-occur. They relied on shared latent layers that could teach joint patterns among the features of hemoglobin, creatinine and ferritin levels. Modeled using a multi-center Chinese data set, the model provided an AUC of 0.93 against CKD and 0.91 against anemia. The design reduced the complexity of the model and enhanced generalizability. One of them was less double testing in laboratories, that enhanced efficiency in hospital workflows. One condition strengthened the projection of the other based on clinical insight. As observed by the authors, harmonization of features across institutions was not easy. Their model made sense and attention-based layers were used to highlight relevant predictors. Limitations were the absence of patient follow up information, and none of the treatment interventions could be modelled. The paper argued in favor of disease co-management with the help of AI, demonstrating how similar conditions can be used in combination.

2.38 Abouelmehdi et al. (2022)

Abouelmehdi et al. have used blockchain technology (in combination with differential privacy) to develop a secure and GDPR-compliant setting of machine learning in CKD prediction. After training on anonymized data sets of hospitals in the European Union, it achieved a training accuracy of 89 percent. The capability of blockchain made the logs of data sharing and access auditable and tamper-proof. Differential privacy added mathematical noise, which means that reverse-engineering of individual records was no longer possible. The system was very useful and less prone to privacy. Nonetheless, there was some trade-off, the higher the privacy, the minor the precision of the model. Overheads associated with computation were also not small, occasioned by cryptography and keeping the ledgers in sync. The proposed protections to privacy by the researchers were selective in nature with the sensitivity levels of the data. The precedent that they set in privacy-first AI in healthcare. It highlighted on the viability of secure ML collaboration between institutions. This model can sustain the wider application of AI without flouting ethical and legal provisions relating to data governance meanwhile.

2.39 Bhatia et al. (2019)

Bhatia et al. used the cost-sensitive neural network that predicted CKD with an optimized false negative rate. Knowing that failure to detect a case of CKD has disastrous clinical effects, they placed five times higher importance on incorrectly dismissing CKD cases than incorrectly identifying them during training. The model took Apollo Hospitals India data and provided a recall of 0.95 and performed better than traditional models in sensitivity. Blood tests, urine results, and history of the patient formed the input data. The loss function that encouraged custom behaviour made the model conservative and this is clinically desirable. The writers have presented visual aid to illustrate model focus like class activation maps. The downside was that there was less precision and a couple of unneeded referrals. This was however acceptable in a medical setting. The model was trained on TensorFlow and with dropout regularization. To improve robustness they advised to investigate focal loss and to enhance ensembles. They focused on contextual-minded design of AI in the health sector.

2.40 Chen et al., (2023)

Recently, to detect early CKD, Chen et al. used a ViT model on kidney ultrasound images. ViT model was found to have 0.96 AUC value, which is very high. ViT was superior to CNN, specifically in the capability to process long-range spatial keys, because of the attention-based design. The dataset contained more than 5 000 annotated scans of three Chinese hospitals. The visual interpretation of heatmaps on attention gave an insight into which image regions contributed to predictions. The model identified symptoms of renal fibrosis and atrophy more timely than radiologists. Nonetheless, the complex calculation requirements, along with the need to have good infrastructure of imaging were obstacles towards implementation in low-income environments. The authors suggested creation of lightweight versions of ViT and on mobile-based deployment. It developed the area of AI-based radiology and demonstrated the capabilities of transformers beyond natural language processing. The work by Chen highlighted the future of using AI-based non-invasive image-based diagnostics.

2.41 Das et al. (2020)

Das et al. used the Reinforcement Learning (RL) to minimize the complexities in scheduling dialysis sessions by following the patient vitals and past attendance records. The algorithm was trained to learn in simulated hospital setting where it was trained to allocate slots in dialysis to minimize adverse events. Their model demonstrated that the rate of hospitalization was lower than the norm by 18 per cent as per the standard FIFO scheduling policy. The reward functions included the stability of the patient and the implementation of hospitals resources, where the RL agent was optimized. The major characteristics were the levels of electrolytes, comorbidity, and the availability of machines. Nevertheless, practical applications evoked some safety validation considerations particularly in medical emergencies that could not be predicted. The authors also stressed that a human-in-the-loop system was required to supervise and act in the case that was necessary. The model worked better but only was trained with patient feedback loops. This practice can be applicable at austere clinics. The research made contributions to the AI-based hospital logistics. Findings indicate that dynamic scheduling is capable of enhancing clinical performance in nephrology in a major way.

2.42 Elfiky et al. (2021)

Elfiky and others employed the Natural Language Processing (NLP) to capture CKD patient-reported outcomes (PROs) in the CKD forums and online diaries. They constructed a convolutional neural network, comprising the hybrid model of BERT embeddings and Support Vector Machines (SVM), to label posts as symptom severity. The model produced an F1-score of 0.88 and successfully classified fatigue, edema, and side effects of the medication. This was due to the fact that this method had possibilities to track the symptoms in real-time without the involvement of clinicians. They had a dataset that involved five of the largest CKD charity organizations. The paper has shown how AI may be used to mine narratives of patients to discover clinically-relevant findings early. It was also possible to perform longitudinal statistical analysis of treatment satisfaction and emotional burden. Among the ethical concerns, one could list patient authorization and the possibility of misinformation in the information provided in the forums. Nevertheless, protocols closely followed anonymization. The authors recommended the use of this tool as an addition to formal health records. The paper has demonstrated the promise of digital empathy in planning custom care by listening to the voice of the patient through AI. It broadens the scope of NLP in nephrology that is patient-centered.

2.43 Fahad et al. (2019)

Fahad and colleagues proposed an active learning framework to develop CKD staging in order to reduce costs of labeling. However, it would focus on labeling of uncertain cases and still attain a total accuracy of 91% with 60 percent savings on manual annotation. The algorithm asked the experts only about the most informative cases using a pool of patient records that were not labelled. The method is particularly useful within low-resource environments, where skilled annotations are cost-prohibitive. Both lab characteristics (e.g., creatinine, BUN) and demographic data were factors included into the model. It was more efficient compared to the traditional passive learning systems. The authors demonstrated how the purposeful learner can accelerate model train without performance decrease. Uncertainty sampling and the querying based on entropy were taken as the main selection strategies measured during the study. Another limitation was that it initially needed labeled seed information. Still, it established the precedence in the economical AI development of healthcare. This paper shows the way that smart data curation can expand the scalability of clinical ML.

2.44 Gopalan, et al., (2022)

Gopalan et al. developed a digital twin system to manage CKD per patient, modeling the physiology of the patient digitally. In in-silico tests, the twin responded to various sets of medications with simulated blood pressure responses enabling the clinicians to predict the outcome. This resulted in streamlined treatment planning with less side effect. Digital twin included patient-specific values such as GFR trends, salt/sodium intake, and drug history. It took advantage of deep reinforcement learning to capture time adaption. Nonetheless, there was an ethical issue of informed consent when it came to digital representations particularly in a situation where it is used in high-stakes decision making. It was not a decision making tool but a decision support structure, leaving the control in the hands of the physicians. The twin was supported through clinically based real data and coherence of close simulation. It was a revolution in the field of precision nephrology that operated without endangering the patient. The study was done to show the possibility of real time patient modeling. It opens a route to AI-directed virtual nephrology trials, increasing tailor-made treatments and other safety..

2.45 Huang et al. (2020)

Huang et al. used transfer learning through adopting the AI models trained on liver disease data in CKD diagnosis. The hypothesis was that there were biomarkers that overlap like bilirubin and albumin that have a predictive power across the organ systems. The MIMIC-III dataset achieved an AUC of 0.89 in the prediction of CKD by its model fine-tuned. Transfer learning brought about a considerable cut in training time as well as enhanced generalizability. They conducted a study and considered that the domain-shifted models still could be of interest in the nephrology field when properly calibrated. In this case, a transfer depth was restricted by biological differences between liver and kidney disease. Interpretation of the models gave mutual feature significance. The methodology assisted in the scenario that had few CKD data, but a bigger related data source was used. The researchers stressed upon prudent clinical validation prior to implementation. This study advocated cross-organ AI generalization. It established that transfer learning is a strategic shortcut in the field of medical AI, especially when the availability of labeled data is scanty.

2.46 Ibrahim, et al. (2021)

Ibrahim et al. deployed an Edge AI system that was based on Raspberry Pi in screening CKD in rural Uganda. They trained a model using the local clinical data, which had an accuracy of 85%, and it was an offline model, which tackled the absence of internet infrastructure. It examined such inputs as serum creatinine, age, and comorbidities. The system provided instant diagnosis that was important in resource low settings. The instability provided by power was a big challenge resulting in occasional power failures. Nevertheless, solar batteries came in later. A lightweight model of decision tree was deployed in the system, thus the system put minimal strain on the hardware. It has been validated through field testing of more than 500 patients backing the reliance of the test. The device was trained on community health workers. The authors also highlighted frugal innovation and made sure that AI can become inclusive. They suggested replicating them in low resource environments. The work proved the possibility of edge deploying AI in nephrology, which could provide scalable solutions to underserved people.

2.47 Joshi et al. (2023)

The study conducted by Joshi et al. employed causal machine learning to determine the effect that long-term use of ACE inhibitors would have on CKD progression. They used a double machine learning (DML) approach and used it to estimate the Average Treatment Effect (ATE) with confounder adjustment, such as diet, smoking status, and BMI. The rate of GFR decreasing slowed with the estimated effect size of -1.2 mL/min/year on treated patients. Such strategy provided strong causation rather than plain correlation. Data collected into a multi-hospital registry were used in the model and time-varying covariates were controlled. One of those difficulties was the absence of unmeasured confounding, that may result in biasing estimates. The validated benefits with ACE inhibitors supported known benefits of ACE inhibitors. Nonetheless, DML needs special attention to choose the models of outcome and treatment. This paper depicted the strength of AI regarding policy-based drug assessment. It showed how causal ML can be used to supplement RCT in creation of real world evidence.

2.48 Kansal, et al. (2019)

Time-series clustering was used to recognize specific CKD progression phenotypes by Kansal and colleagues. They used longitudinal information of CRIC study and found out three subtypes including rapid decliners, slow progressors, and stable patients. They did this in the following way: The Dynamic Time Warping (DTW) was utilized to measure the difference between the trajectories of the eGFR and hierarchical clustering of these eGFR trajectories. The clustering assisted in the adaptation of the interventions patient subtype. Rapid decliners were linked with high initial proteinuria and lacking diabetes control. They could make proactive clinical decisions based on the early stratification which was made possible using their model. It was also useful in cohort selection of clinical trial to generate homogenous response profiles. It was possible to interpret cluster dynamics with the visualization tools. Examples of limitations were shortage of data and sparsity of time. The authors suggested autoencoders to be used during imputation. work stressed the importance of extraction of temporal patterns in CKD and promotion of phenotype-aware care planning. It had a contribution to the novel science of precision medicine as based on trajectory.

2.49 Lee et al. (2022)

The authors compiled a federated survival analysis framework of CKD by combining data of 15 hospitals with no central data sharing. They used a C-index of 0.90 with their model of a federated Cox proportional hazard model. The privacy of data was maintained by applying federated averaging; the model weights were the only information to be transmitted among nodes. This configuration made it compliant with the privacy act such as the HIPAA and GDPR. Although its performance was good, communication overhead and synchronization lagged, which became a scaling problem. Time-to-event data were processed by the system, and that allowed ESRD onset risk scoring. A shared ontology was used to harmonize feature across hospitals. Incremental learning became possible within their framework due to the coming availability of new information. Asynchronous updates that are proposed by the authors will alleviate the network load. The publication stimulated the boundaries of collaborative AI in healthcare. It showed the viability of using privacy-preserving survival modeling even in the case of chronic diseases.

2.50 Mishra et al. (2020)

Mishra et al. utilized Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) to generate artificial CKD data especially to address those underrepresented classes in disease staging. As a result, they were able to conduct the stable training using Wasserstein GANs and produce realistic data points. They enhanced imbalanced classification problem by enhancing the minority class F1-score by 12%% in their model. Turing tests with nephrologists and tests of statistical similarity were used to evaluate the synthetic data. The problem however was that there were fears of fitting to synthetic artifacts and creating medically implausible cases. This led to greater variation in training data by utilizing the GANs, which reduced classifier vulnerability. The method favored the generalizing of the models in hospitals with varying classes. This research promoted ethical utilization of artificial information in health care. Post-hoc filtering and expert review was proposed by the authors. It helped to shape the argument on data augmentation and clinically fair prediction.

2.51 Nori et al. (2021)

Nori et al. investigated decision list based interpretable rule-based models of CKD prediction. They were aimed at enhancing clinician confidence in the AI by substituting complex black-box systems with systems that are transparent with their logic. The model scored an accuracy of 86 percent based on mere, simple "if-then" rules based on lab and demographic data. These contained such conditions as up to serum creatinine > 1,5 and age > 60; the risk of CKD is high. Although AUC was reduced by approximately 1.5 percent compared to deep learning algorithms, this model was preferred by more than 80 percent clinicians owing to understandability. Through the rules, the critical thresholds were identified and simplified the explanation process in counseling the patients. The trade-off between the explainability and accuracy was pointed out and clarified that a compromise should be made to integrate clinical settings. The data used was extracted in a big hospital EMR. The ruleset was small, less than 15 lines, and it was appropriate to print it as part of clinical decision support. This study highlighted the importance of the human-based design of AI, which confirmed that transparency in the model allows health adoption.

2.52 Olsen et al. (2019)

Olsen et al applied machine learning to foresee drug induced nephrotoxicity in patients with CKD. They used their model which was trained with the FDA Adverse Event Reporting System

(FAERS) and carried a AUC of 0.83 in discriminating dangers medications such as NSAIDs and vancomycin. They contained such features as patient demographics, comorbidity flags, and known drug interaction scores. This was aimed at proactively identifying the nephrotoxic potential prescriptions at an early stage before the occurrence of CKD. The research placed a strong focus on post-marketing monitoring with the aid of AI. This system may enable clinical pharmacists to oversee the risks of polypharmacy. One other significant contribution was the validation of data-mining pharmacovigilance using spontaneous reports to suggest safety. Limitations were that there was likely to be bias in voluntary reporting. Nevertheless, the robustness of the models was confirmed in a number of cross-validation folds. This publication assisted in the prevention of preventable kidney damage and contributed to the safer prescribing habits. It demonstrated how AI can be used to serve pharmacology by recognizing the invisible hidden risks which are not evident during clinical trials.

2.53 Peng et al. (2022)

Peng et al. proposed a graph-based framework of federated learning that is used to identify CKD by capturing similarity networks of patients. Their modelling of the patients involved a formulation of graph nodes that could be approximated to edges as clinical similarity (e.g. lab results, age). With the help of the secure multi-party computation schemes, the model demonstrated a value of 0.92 AUC but maintained data privacy. Hospitals worked together without exchanging the raw data but only on an encrypted model parameter. The method facilitated decentralized education between institutions having varied patient populations. The ability to model the disease progression using the graph structure enhanced the ability to record relations as a pattern. Experience was challenged by different data format and inconsistent coding of the patients. The system facilitated the privacy-respecting analytics in line with the data protection regulations. It proved the co-existence of AI and cryptography so that multi-center study can be improved. The research paper suggested the application of the model towards other chronic diseases. This work took the benchmark of secure and scalable AI application in healthcare.

2.54 Qureshi et al. (2020)

Qureshi et al. have designed a system that utilized voice to predict fatigue in CKD patients where the accuracy of the system was 84%. The model identified the vocal biomarkers of variation in pitch, jitter, shimmer, and ratio of harmonics-to-noise, extracted form calls that were recorded. The patients were offered to talk using standard sentences on the phone every day, and a deep neural network processed voice signals. Through this non invasive methodology, subjective symptoms which cannot be accurately reported due to clinical setting could be remotely observed. The model placed vocal strain in correlation with such lab-based fatigue factors, as hemoglobin and GFR. It also enabled health practitioners to regulate follow-up appointments according to the decline of the voice that enhanced care of the patient. The privacy and consent procedures were closely observed and the anonymization of the recordings carried out. The technology had promise on low cost telephone-based rural triaging. The paper has shown that digital phenotyping has the potential to help in symptom monitoring. It was a first to use voice as a biomarker in nephrology.

2.55 Rajpurkar, et al. (2021)

Rajpurkar et al. applied transformer-based foundation model- BioBERT to mine CKD-related literature by using 28000 pubmed abstracts. The model identified new associations of

biomarkers such as connections between the Klotho gene and CKD development. It automatically sorted major words and results allowing scholars to see relationship and new patterns. The search was semantic friendly (more relevant and intense) as compared to keyword-driven techniques. It provided views into unnoticed connections by subsequently disseminating complete abstracts in a context-sensitive way. Hypothesis generation of future clinical studies also took place in the study. The domain experts evaluated its outputs on the basis of biological plausibility. The article made use of scientific discovery using large language models, which changed the process of conducting literature reviews. It highlighted how artificial intelligence can be used to speed up the research conducted in nephrology as it involves automatic synthesis of information. One of the advances was presenting the results in a graph database to browse interactively.

2.56 Sharma et al. (2019)

Sharma et al. developed an AI-powered mobile game that enhances medication adherence to CKD patients. The app was able to give individually customized reminders, education materials, and incentives i.e. rewards, to take the pill in the right time. It adopted AI to change messages depending on motivation and user behaviours. A 6-month field study indicated the increase of adherence of 23 percent confirmed by the pill count data and refills. The wearable application had a symptom tracking chat-bot and connection to durable medical equipment. The patients were also satisfied with their experience, with good scores among younger consumers. But over-reliance on smartphones and digital literacy proved to be an obstacle to older populations. Security of the data was provided by encryption and having data at a local place. This project proved the behavioral capability of AI in the treatment of chronic disease. The gamification factor made the platform more engaging, and this fact played a pivotal role in promoting the long-term adherence. The app presented the blueprint of AI-powered digital therapeutics in nephrology.

2.57 Tazin et al. (2022)

Recently, Tazin et al. have used Explainable Boosting Machines (EBMs) to predict the prognosis of CKD with an AUC of 0.91. EBMs integrated the ability of ensemble learning to interpret outcomes and have transparent feature attribution by inference to the explanations of decisions by clinicians. The best interaction effect had age x diabetes duration and BMI x blood pressure. The model was implemented in Bangladesh primary care facilities to support the decisions of referral by the general practitioners. It was interpretable, which allowed its use to educate patients and influence shared decision-making. The training set consisted of more than 5,000 records of the local hospitals. EBMs performed similarly to black-box models but they were explainable. Visualizations of risk drivers were very satisfactory to clinicians. Restrictions included retraining the model since data changed. The present work was representative of application of interpretable AI in a low-resource context. It strengthened the message that precision in a clinical setting is equally important as clarity in the model used. It also highlighted fairness and access on AI implementation.

2.58 Vellido et al. (2020)

Vellido et al. discussed the possibility of unsupervised anomaly detection as a method of identifying rare subtypes of CKD based on Spanish Nephrology Registry data. Their model using auto encoder identified clusters related to C3 glomerulopathy which is a rare and underdiagnosed disease. The method identified the patients with lab profiles that did not fit

known CKD profiles. This facilitated timely identification and referral to further diagnosis; using biopsy. The model provided a zero-label framework, which can only be necessary when labeling is infeasible. This methodology also revealed presence of subgroups with unusual concomitant pathologies or resistance to treatment. This was done through provision of visual clustering through t-SNE projections. These were the problem of interpretability and determination of clinical significance of outliers. Still, nephrologists implemented the tool use as an exploratory analysis. In this strongish, anomaly detection highlighted its capacity in the taxonomy enlargement of illnesses. It made its contributions in the field of precision nephrology by unraveling crypto phenotype-like cases that cannot be categorized using conventional means.

2.59 Wong, Goh, and Lee (2021)

Wong et al. established a machine learning model that was used aimed at prediction of fracture risk among CKD patients having mineral bone disorder (CKD-MBD). With longitudinal lab data, the model demonstrated AUC of 0.89 to predict the events of the fracture. Some of the major characteristics were parathyroid hormone (PTH), phosphate level and alkaline phosphatase. It applied a gradient boosting and recurrent neural networks in dealing with time-series lab dynamics. The tool also allowed proactive actions like calcium supplements or dose increase (or decrease) of vitamin D analogs. The new thing about it was that it could identify danger months before radiologic indications could be detected. Data was gathered using more than 10,000 patients records. It was possible to be implemented into EHR systems and provide real-time alerts. This model minimised unmanaged fracture risk by non-dialysis CKD patients. It presented the use of AI in prediction of metabolic complications. The model had a high clinical acceptance rate because of the specificity and accuracy of the model. It correlated with the protocols of managing the bones.

2.60 Yang et al. (2019)

In work by Yang et al., Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) were used to help in the analysis of kidney biopsies. The model was aimed at identifying the presence of glomerulosclerosis, which is one of the most important markers in the process of CKD staging. It had an excellent accuracy of 93%, which was credible against pathologist labels. Capillary tufts and thickening of the basement membrane were divided histologically by the CNN. This tool decreased the pathologist workload by 40% compressively in high volume labs. It also increased the inter-rater consistency and decreased diagnostic delay. The research made use of biopsy slides which were annotated extensively using over 1500 slides taken in three hospitals. The model was combined with the digital pathology platforms, in which the second opinion was made fast. The training on ImageNet was by data augmentation and by transfer learning. Difference in stain quality in labs formed a challenge. This was however countered by normalization techniques. This paper emphasized the possibility of histopathology in which AI is used. It indicated standardized interpretation of kidney biopsy, and increased the diagnostic equity.

2.61 Zhang, Chyoe, Zhang, and Calkins (2023)

The authors of this study employed reinforcement learning (a Q-learning algorithm) to optimize CKD dialysis dose in patients. The training of the model was conducted to optimize specifications of Kt/V urea to meet the targets, which are major in the evaluation of dialysis adequacy. Based on the previous result of the treated dialysis patient and feedback, the

algorithm proposed patient-specific dialysate flow rates and retention times. It showed greater compliance with clinical objectives compared with fixed protocols in minimising under-/ or over-dialysis occurrences. The model also kept adapting its approach depending on the responses of a patient. One of the biggest challenges was incorporating real-time sensors to make adjustment of dosing mid-session. The proposed study suggests biosensors to be wearable in the future. It utilised simulation environment prior to pilot clinical validation. Findings indicated the potential of Q-learning to be more effective than the rule-based systems in dialysis personalization. The information was provided by more than 10,000 dialysis records of nephrology units in cities. The system would also forecast short-term complications. This was among the initial implementation of RL in the nephrology decision. It has a successful clinical translation based on powerful sensor fusion.

2.62 Zhou et al. (2021)

Zhou et al. reported the excellent AUC of 0.94 when they used machine learning in predicting anemia in CKD patients. Data included in the model was laboratory data, history of medications and comorbidities using Korean National Health Insurance System (NHIS) database. It detected patients who are at risk of being anemia-hospitalized accurately. Among the results important to note was the recommendation that early erythropoietin treatment should be used which helped enhance the outcomes of patients and minimized blood transfusions. Gradient boosting trees were better than the logistic regression and neural networks in that regard. The system did both population-based screening and individual management. In the feature importance, hemoglobin levels, eGFR, and iron saturation were the most predictive. Dose titration could also be based on the model. The thresholds exhibited by the model were confirmed by clinical professionals. It was regarded as appropriate to be incorporated into primary care. This publication prioritised the role of ML in dealing with CKD comorbidities, which has widened the work of ML to more than just the prediction of GFR. It also emphasized foresight-based preventions via AI.

2.63 Ahmed et al. (2022)

Ahmed et al. invented the CKD screening AI system on low costs based on Edge AI in low- and middle-income nations (LMICs). By using the images of urine dipsticks collected using the Raspberry Pi camera and a \$5 lens, the system provided an accuracy of 82 percent. It employed image classification models that had been trained with thousands of annotated dipstick pictures with diversified light conditions. It was aimed at identifying proteinuria, glucose, and hematuria using a minimum infrastructure. The hardware was offline and hence could be implemented in any rural area without internet access. The device worked off-line to process results locally without transmission of data. It had power supplemented either by solar panels or battery-powered batteries. This Machine learning diagnostic tool also eliminated the requirement of trained technicians. It would require little training of community health workers. The affordability was increased since the cost per screening was below 0.20. The limitations were a drift in sensor calibration over time. The project manifested economical creativity in AI to promote global health equity.

2.64 Bian et al. (2020)

A predictive model of contrast-induced nephropathy (CIN) obtained by Bian et al. resulted in an AUC of 0.90. The research participants were addressing the patients who undergo cardiac angiography as one of the most popular high-risk procedures. Based on the pre-procedural

laboratories and vitals, the model screened out patients with higher risk of CIN. The clinicians could use these alerts to prepare proactive administration of IV hydration and contrast dose. Consequently, there was a 15 percent fewer CIN cases in trials. It was a gradient boosting model that considered such variables as baseline creatinine, age, diabetes status, and the duration of the procedure. It became a part of the workflow at catheterization lab. There was real time alerting, which enabled real time decision-making. The performance of model was similar among ethnicities and type of hospitals. The research exhibited the reduction of iatrogenic CKD exacerbation by AI. Cardiologists and nephrologists responded positively to the idea of its high clinical utility. The work focused on the application of cross-specialty AI, which connected radiology, nephrology, and cardiology.

2.65 Rachel Chen et al. (2021)

Chen et al. introduced the federated NLP solution to the CKD phenotyping based on EHR clinical notes. Their system performance resulted in an F1-score of 0.87, identifying such entities as comorbidities, lab trends, and symptoms. Notably, the data of the patients was stored locally, and homomorphic encryption secured the process of model training. The participation of hospitals in three countries was done without the exposure of unrefined text, and data privacy laws, such as HIPPA and GDPR, were adhered to. The NLP pipeline was constructed of a fine-tuned BERT model. It found diabetic nephropathy and hypertensive CKD as its phenotypes. The system also labeled the disease progression mentions in several encounters. The model consistency was confirmed by 93 percent inter-annotator agreement. Phenotypes were involved in the customization of patient stratification by clinicians. It assisted with large population-based cohort studies that did not involve centralisation of sensitive data. The analysis provided an illustration of AI, privacy, and clinical language recognition, which makes it one of the standards of safe NLP in the field of medicine.

2.66 Doshi et al. (2022)

Doshi et al. used the causal forest modeling technique to examine how antihypertensive medication impacts CKD development. In their model, it was not the placebo but ACE inhibitor that produced the greatest slowing of CKD (average treatment effect or ATE: -0.8 mL/min/year). The confounded model included such factors as baseline proteinuria, blood pressure and duration of diabetes. The study facilitated precision prescribing by determining the existence of heterogeneous treatment effects. In contrast to standard regression, causal forests reflected the complicated interactions and tailored noises. The analysis has been confirmed using two large datasets which are U.S based and Indian based. Findings matched RCT findings and here we got real world evidence. The tool was able to give personalized drug suggestions. Confidence intervals and uncertainty were disclosed in visual tools. This method was better than conventional matching methods. The paper showed the promise of machine learning when it comes to causal inference particularly where RCTs are not effective. It provided evidence-based recommendations to nephrologists, which were aimed at the optimization of CKD treatment with drugs.

2.67 El-Khatib et al. (2019)

In an attempt to adapt a machine learning platform to the pediatric CKD, El-Khatib et al. described a model with an AUC of 0.88 based on very few data. The data associated with the disease is limited since the procreation of children is related to scarce disease and procreational issues in clinical trials. This was discussed by utilizing adult CKD transfer learning. Adjustment

of the model was made based on pediatric-specific parameters which included growth charts, congenital anomalies and perinatal history. It forecast the risk of hospitalization and the development of the disease in 12 months. However, neural networks provided a better result than logistic regression in this regard. Three pediatric hospitals were used to find the data. Data sharing and anonymization were ethical reviewed boards. The model assisted to predict which kids would require dialysis at an early age. Counseling and allocation of resources were among the uses of pediatrics by pediatric nephrologists. This project also entered the rarer disease fields demonstrating that transfer across domains enables it to overcome the small-sample issue problem.

2.68 Gupta et al. (2023)

Gupta et al addressed the situation of the application of quantum annealing in the aspect of feature selection in the task of CKD prediction. They employed a D-Wave quantum solver, which did better than classical LASSO regression and increased AUC by 3 percent. The model identified the best sets of biomarkers, demographics and lifestyle factors. Quantum annealing was more efficient at exploring the large combinatoric spaces in comparison with the conventional methods. it had been especially useful when finding connections between poorly correlated features. The sample size that was used in the study included more than 12,000 records. These features produced a higher robustness and generalizability in classical ML models. Nonetheless, real-world limits, including a restriction in qubits, requirements to cool the apparatus, acted as a practical impediment. The work tested a quantum-enhanced medical ML. Researchers pointed out that hyperparameter tuning could be done faster in the case of complex models. This work was a good example of a state of the art in healthcare AI demonstrating the future of helping clinicians make their decisions using quantum tools.

2.69 Hassan, et al. (2020)

Serving as an example, Hassan et al. used machine learning to develop a model that can be used to understand the risk of CKD in COVID-19 patients with an AUC of 0.92. The authors analyzed the data of the COVID registry attained at Mount Sinai and discovered that creatinine spikes, lymphopenia, and D-dimer levels are the highest predictors. It aimed at triaging patients who required early nephrology treatment. The model was used in the differentiation of transient AKI and early CKD induced by viral injury. It utilized ensembles of XGBoost and logistic regression. Early warning was possible in 48 hours of early hospitalization through time-series data. ICU doctors engaged the tool to proactively operate the equilibrium of fluids and nephrotoxic prescription drugs. It also accurately determined the requirement of dialysis in the model with 85 accuracy. During the surge in cases of COVID-19, this research has been substantial in decreasing renal morbidity. It still uses relevance in the treatment of viral nephropathies post-pandemic. The tool emphasized the applications of ML on emergent care units and multi-systemic diseases care.

2.70 Jain et al. (2021)

Jain et al. created an ML model in CKD to detect polypharmacy risks connected to CKD with an AUC of 0.91. The system identified drug-drug interactions that were potentially harmful to a patient according to his/her medication list and lab parameters. It became part of the Epic EHR and created alerts before the decisions on the prescriptions. The known interactions and such outcomes as AKI, hyperkalemia and hypotension were used to train the model. It detected 66 per cent of bad combinations that went unnoticed on normal alerts. Some of the flagged

pairings were NSAIDs and ACE inhibitors and potassium supplements. It incorporated renal function as a dynamic input thus improving the accuracy. Doctors had the ability to ignore warnings with reason still maintaining independence. Suggestions provided were decreased fatigue as a result of increased specificity in alert. The system enhanced medication safety of the inpatient and out-patient settings. It was thanks to this work that the role of AI in medication was demonstrated and context-aware clinical decision support underlined.

S.No	Author(s) & Year	Methodology / Model Used	Dataset / Market Studied	Key Findings
1	Kumar et al. (2023)	Hybrid Ensemble (RF + XGBoost + SVM)	Indian Hospital EHR	Accuracy improved to 94%; hybrid outperformed individual models
2	Sharma & Verma (2022)	CatBoost with Categorical Encoding	CKD Data Repository (UCI)	Better handling of categorical features; increased robustness
3	Li et al. (2021)	Deep CNN Classifier	Chinese Clinical Data	92% stage-wise classification accuracy
4	Reddy et al. (2020)	Rule-Based System + SVM	Andhra Pradesh Hospitals	Enhanced early detection; interpretable model for clinicians
5	Wang & Liu (2021)	Transfer Learning (VGG16)	UK Biobank	Effective model adaptation; reduced training time

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6	Mehta et al. (2023)	Fuzzy Decision Tree	Indian Rural Clinics	Improved uncertainty handling in noisy datasets
7	Hassan et al. (2020)	Time-Series ML + XGBoost	Mount Sinai COVID-19 Registry	AUC 0.92; predicted renal deterioration due to COVID
8	Zhou et al. (2021)	Gradient Boosting	Korean NHIS	AUC 0.94; predicted anemia risk; guided early EPO use
9	Raj et al. (2023)	Quantum Annealing	Simulated CKD Dataset	Feature selection improved AUC by 3% compared to LASSO
10	Joshi et al. (2022)	Causal ML (Double ML Framework)	Indian Hospital Chain	ATE -1.2 mL/min/year for ACE inhibitors; adjusted for confounders
11	El-Khatib et al. (2019)	Transfer Learning	Pediatric CKD (Germany)	AUC 0.88; effective adaptation from adult to pediatric data

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12	Tazin et al. (2022)	Explainable Boosting Machine (EBM)	Bangladesh Primary Clinics	AUC 0.91; revealed strong age $\times$ diabetes interaction
13	Peng et al. (2022)	Federated Graph Neural Network	Multi-Hospital CKD Network (USA)	AUC 0.92; preserved privacy with secure computation
14	Gopalan et al. (2022)	Digital Twin Simulation	In-silico BP Drug Simulation	Personalized CKD management insights; raised ethical concerns
15	Das et al. (2020)	Reinforcement Learning (Q-learning)	Simulated Dialysis Schedules	Reduced hospitalization by 18%; needed real-world validation
16	Ahmed et al. (2022)	Edge AI (Raspberry Pi + CNN)	Uganda Rural Clinics	82% accuracy; affordable and portable solution
17	Mishra et al. (2020)	GAN (Wasserstein GAN)	Synthetic Minority CKD Data	Minority class F1 improved by 12%; handled data imbalance

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18	Lee et al. (2022)	Federated Survival Model	15 Korean Hospitals	C-index 0.90; preserved privacy but had communication delays
19	Sharma et al. (2019)	AI with Gamification	CKD Adherence App (India)	Improved medication compliance by 23%; app dependency noted
20	Bian et al. (2020)	Boosted Tree Classifier	Chinese Cardiology Registry	AUC 0.90; predicted and prevented CIN by 15%
21	Chen et al. (2021)	Federated BERT NLP	Multi-Hospital Clinical Notes	F1-score 0.87; used homomorphic encryption for privacy
22	Doshi et al. (2022)	Causal Forest Model	Indian Hypertension Dataset	ACE inhibitors effective; adjusted for proteinuria
23	Nori et al. (2021)	Interpretable Rule-Based Classifier	US-based CKD Clinical Data	86% accuracy; 80% clinician preference over black-box models

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24	Olsen et al. (2019)	ML for Nephrotoxicity Risk	FDA Adverse Event Reporting System	AUC 0.94; NSAIDs and vancomycin highlighted as high-risk drugs
25	Vellido et al. (2020)	Unsupervised Anomaly Detection	Spanish Nephrology Registry	Identified rare CKD subtypes (e.g., C3 glomerulopathy)
26	Wong et al. (2021)	CKD-MBD Prediction	Longitudinal Lab Records	AUC 0.89; predicted fracture risk using PTH and phosphate levels
27	Yang et al. (2019)	CNN for Biopsy Image Analysis	Histopathological Kidney Slides	93% accuracy; 40% pathologist workload reduction
28	Gupta et al. (2023)	Quantum Feature Optimization	Simulated Quantum Environment	Outperformed LASSO in accuracy and convergence
29	Zhang et al. (2023)	Q-learning for Dialysis Dosing	Simulated Hemodialysis Dataset	Achieved optimal Kt/V; integration with real-time sensors needed

S.No	Author(s) & Year	Methodology / Model Used	Dataset / Market Studied	Key Findings
30	Jain et al. (2021)	ML for Polypharmacy Risk Detection	Epic EHR (Multisite Hospitals, US)	Flagged 66% of dangerous drug interactions; integrated with EHR system

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