

Cystic Renal Disease, for USMLE Step One

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The Major Players

- Medullary Sponge Kidney (MSK)
- Polycystic Kidney Disease (PKD)
 - Autosomal Recessive: Childhood
 - Autosomal Dominant: **AD**ult

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putative mechanisms

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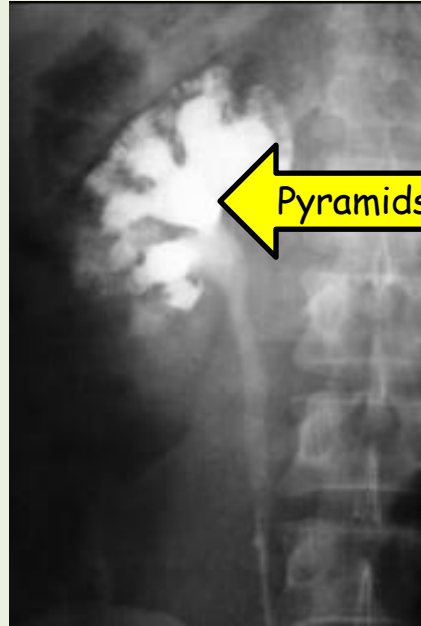
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2. **Collecting** ducts
3. Medullary portion (not cortical)

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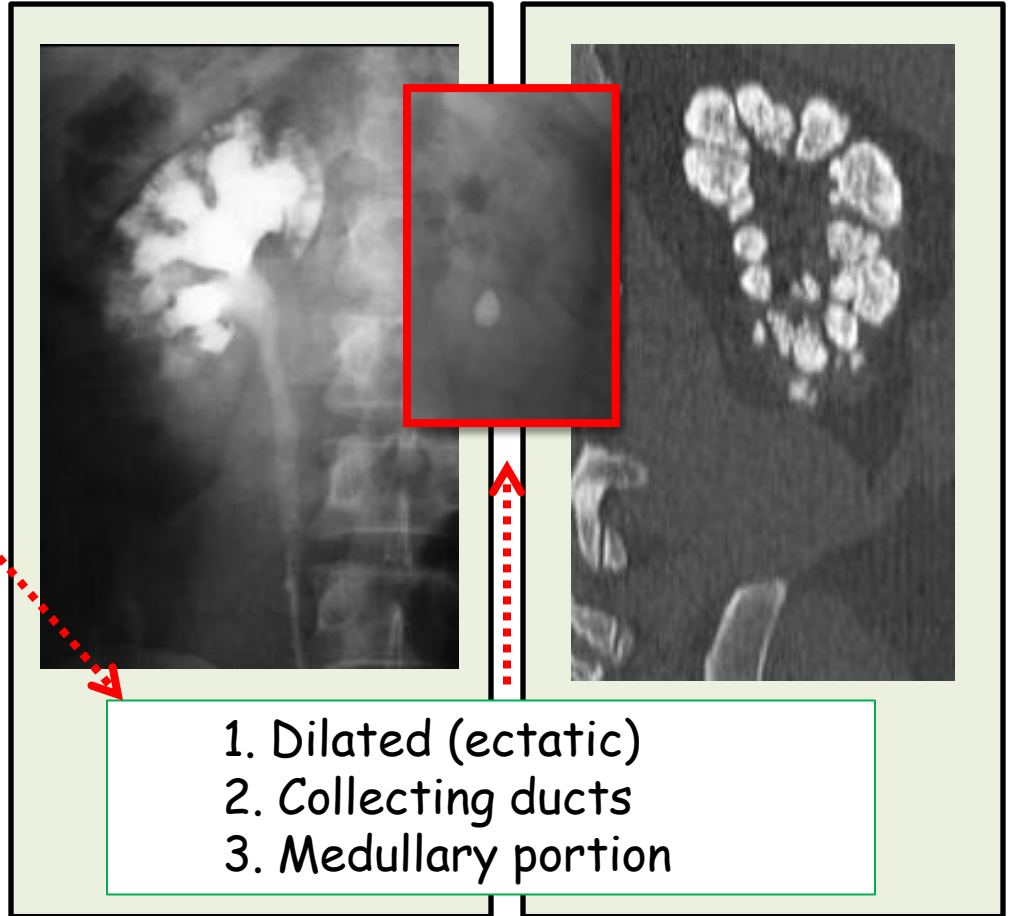
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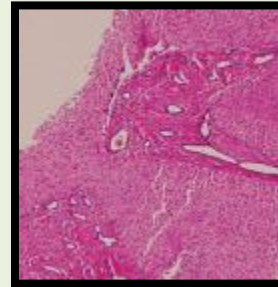
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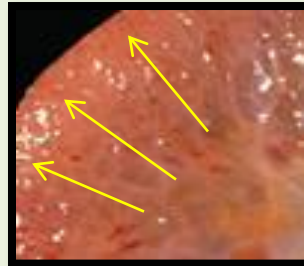
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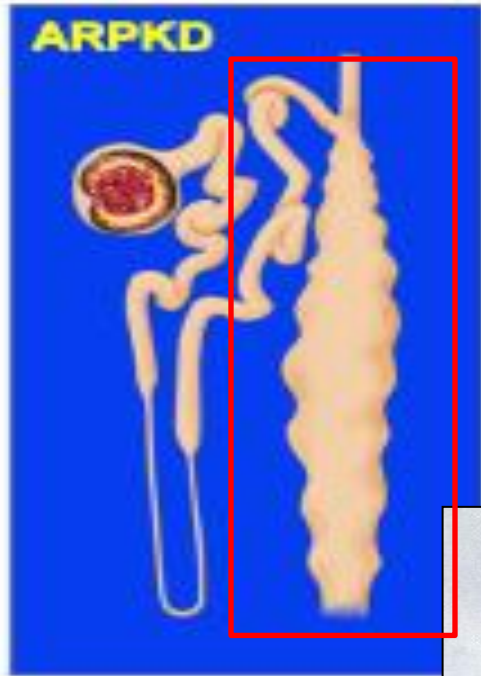
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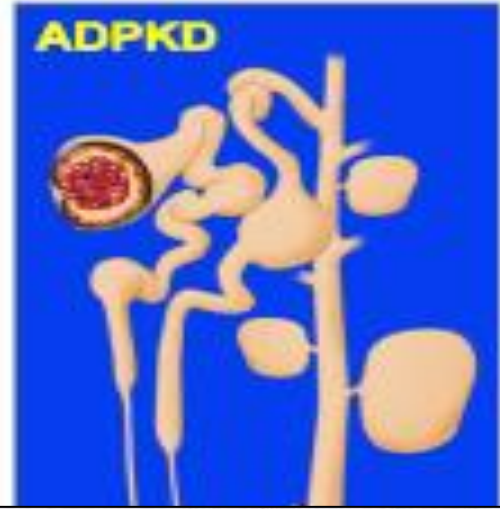
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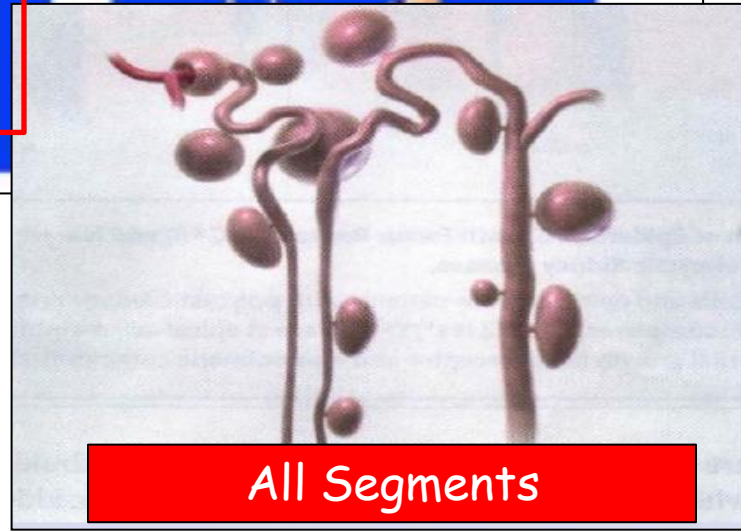
ARPKD



ADPKD



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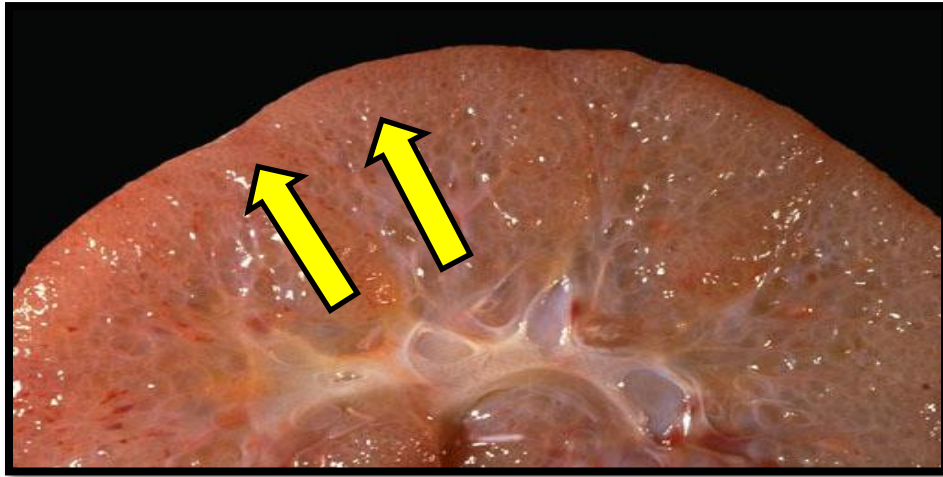
- Background
 - Cystic dilations of the renal collecting ducts with associated congenital defects of the hepatobiliary ducts → congenital hepatic fibrosis
- Pathogenesis
 - Mutation(s) of the PKHD1 gene (chromosome 6).
 - Different mutations → varied phenotypic expression (renal > = < biliary)
 - Encodes fibrocystin (an integral membrane protein) found in the renal collecting ducts AND hepatic bile duct epithelial cells
- Pathology
 - Enlarged kidneys with small (<2 mm) cysts radiating from medulla to the cortex → interstitial fibrosis.
 - Biliary dysgenesis → dilated intrahepatic ducts and congenital hepatic fibrosis.

ARPKD



Elongated channels

ARPKD

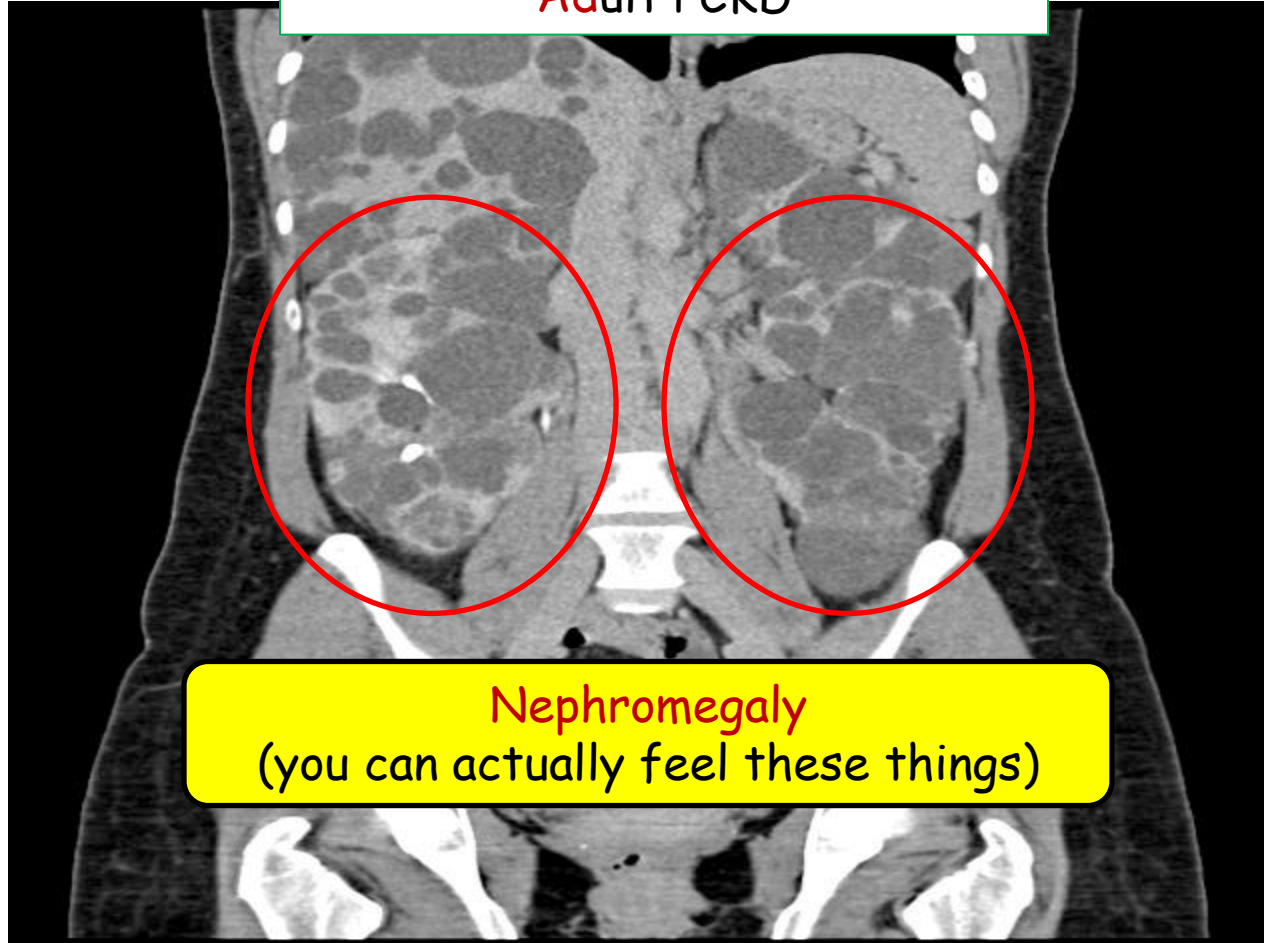


Number of ducts involved determine the severity of renal involvement

ARPKD: 'Reno-hepatic'

- Clinical Presentation: **depends on the mutation**
 - Prenatal:
 - Seen on U/S with poor corticomedullary differentiation and **oligohydramnios**
 - Neonatal:
 - If renal disease was severe → **respiratory distress**
 - Adolescent:
 - If renal disease less severe, may present with hepatic manifestation including s/s of **portal HTN**
- Special Notes
 - Pulmonary hypoplasia is secondary to renal failure (oligohydramnios)
 - Secondary manifestation ; may include Potter syndrome w/ associated limb and facial features

Adult PCKD



Nephromegaly
(you can actually feel these things)

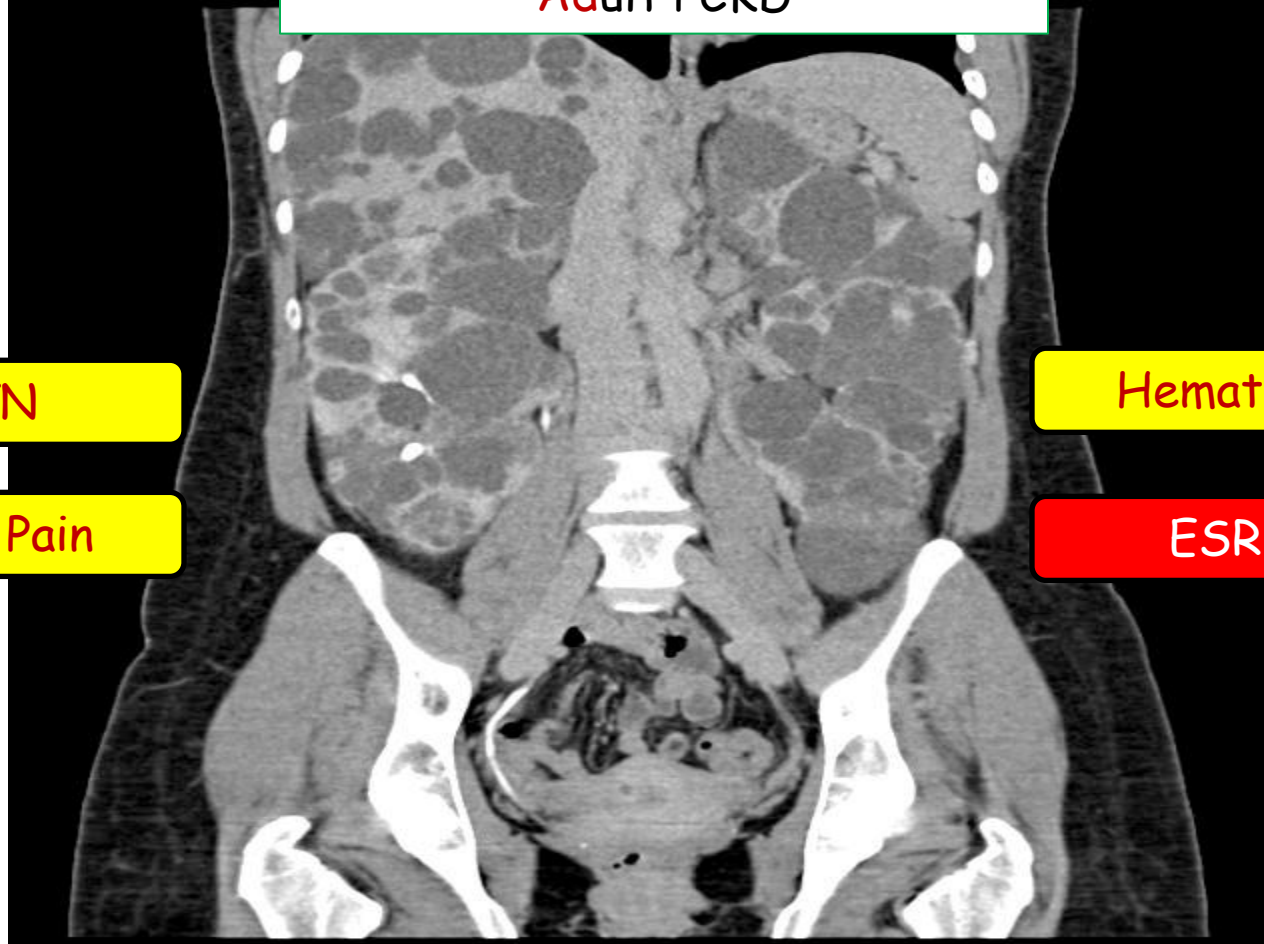
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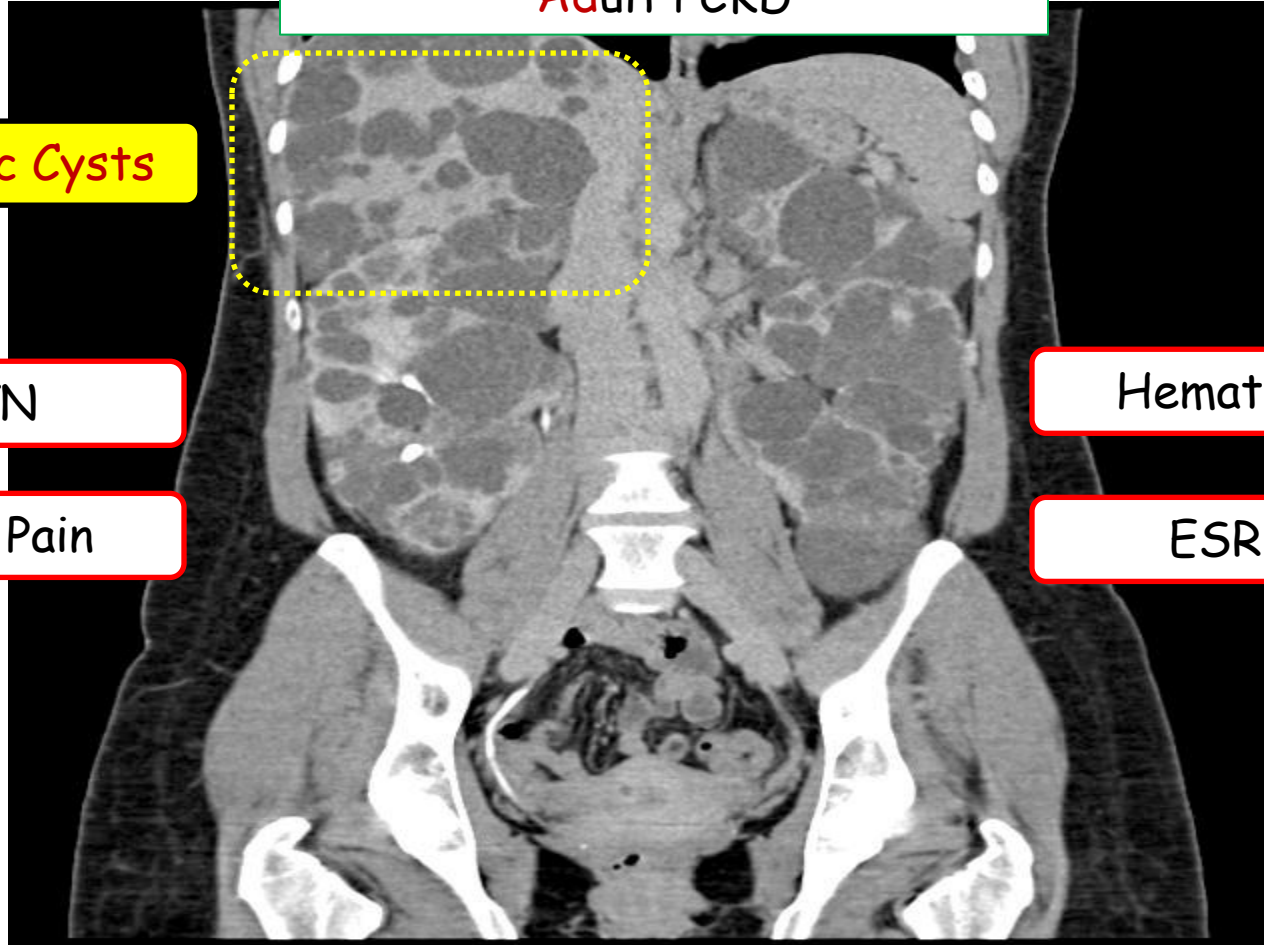
Hepatic Cysts

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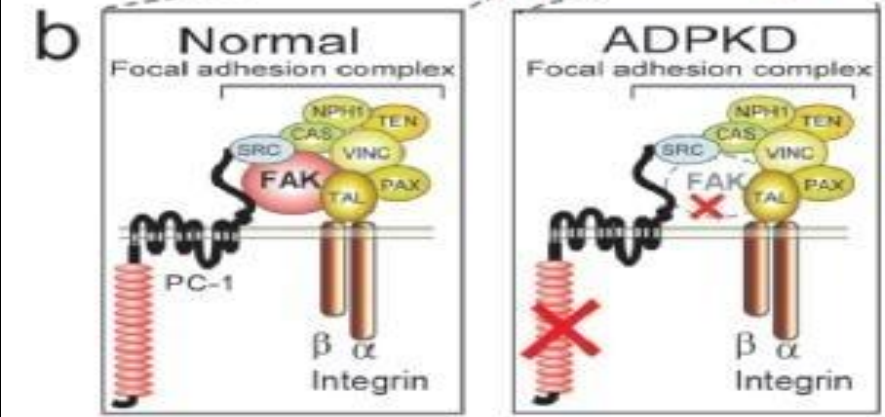
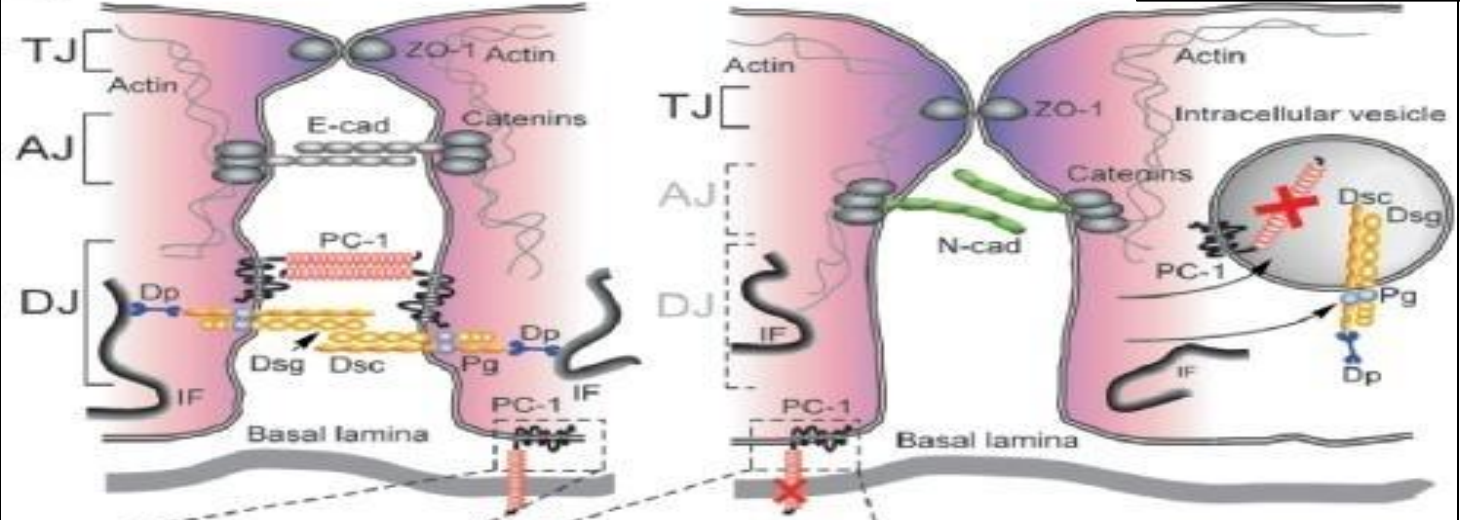
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a Normal ADPKD **ADhesion problem**



- PKD1 Mutation (Polycystin-1)**
1. Chromosome 16p
 2. 85% of cases
 3. More likely to progress to ESRD than PKD2 mutation

Extrarenal manifestations

Presumably share same **polycystin defect** affecting biliary epithelium and **vascular sm mm?**

Anterior communicating artery (30% to 35%)

Internal carotid artery/posterior communicating artery (30% to 35%)

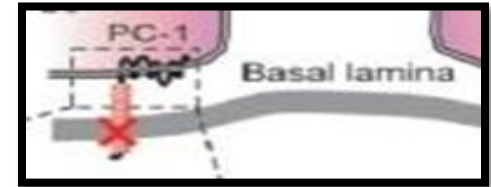
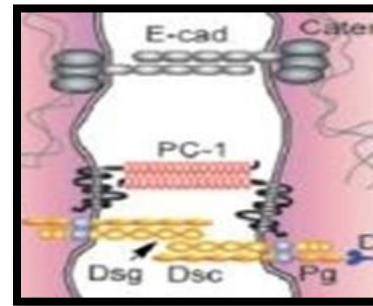
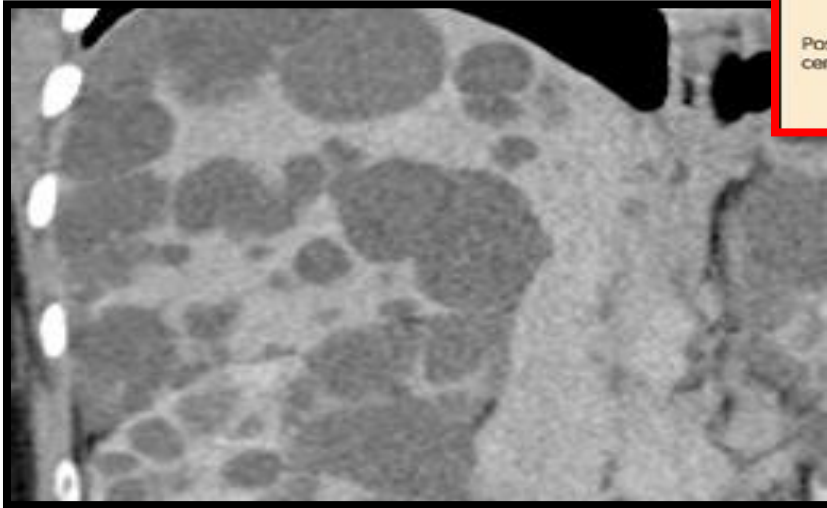
Basilar apex (5%)

Middle cerebral artery (20%)

Vertebrobasilar junction (2%)

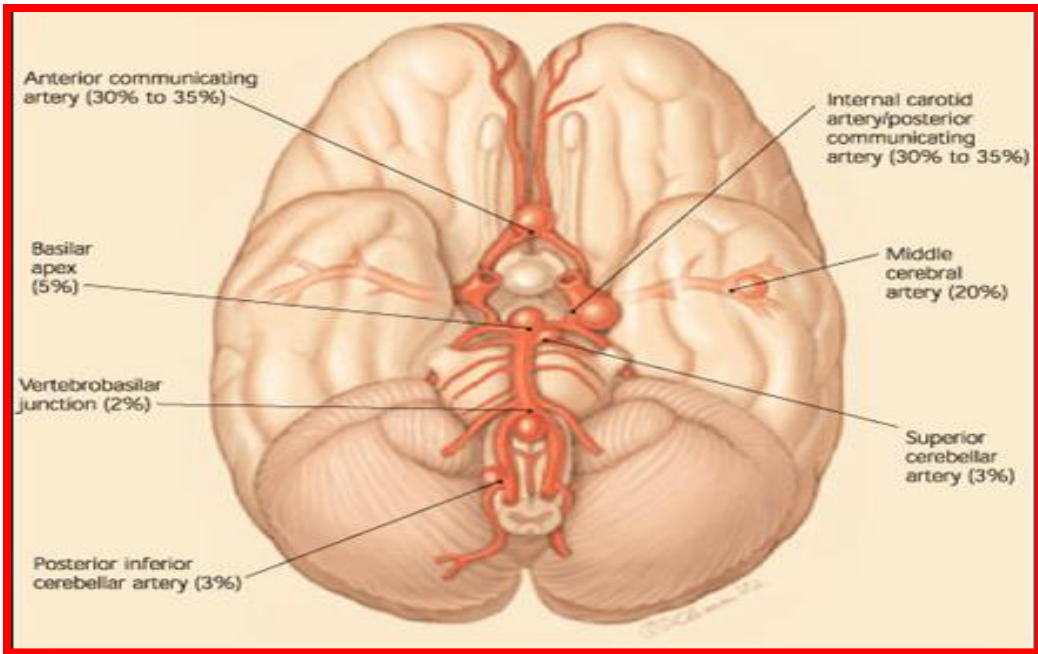
Superior cerebellar artery (3%)

Posterior inferior cerebellar artery (3%)

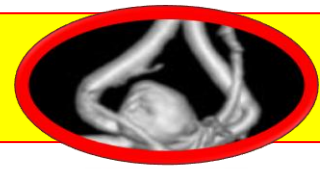


Risk Factors:

FH aneurysm
Poorly Controlled HTN
(Majority rupture <50 y.o.)

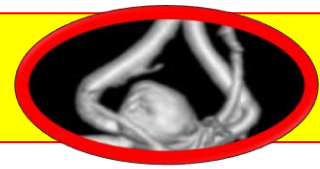


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 - Autosomal dominant cystic renal disorder characterized by progressive renal failure and extrarenal manifestations.
- Pathogenesis
 - **PKD1** (gene) → polycystin-1 (protein); **PKD2** → polycystin-2
 - Membrane protein: cell-cell; cell-matrix interaction; ↑ cell proliferation
 - Mechanism of cyst formation is **uncertain** (albeit interesting)
- Pathology - large cyts

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- **Clinical**
 - Renal: Flank pain, (cysts, stones, infection), hematuria, CKD (progressive)
 - Extrarenal: cerebral **aneurysms** (~10%), hepatic cysts
- **Data**
 - Ultrasound: number of cysts that vary by age
 - Genetic testing
- **Special Notes**
 - **Aneurysms**: ↑ risk with FH, HTN, larger size; majority rupture < 50 y.o.
 - Uncertain recommendation on screening although need to consider **serial assessment** (not a one and done)
 - Age (40+): GFR ↓ 5 ml/min/yr
 - ACE/ARB benefits beyond BP lowering (esp if proteinuria)

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