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**Research Article**

**Peritoneal catheter survival: The impact of unroofing**

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Background: Unroofing is a controversial procedure to avoid catheter removal in the treatment of the chronic exit site and tunnel infection, but is now rarely recommended. Here we aimed to evaluate the effects of the unroofing procedure on peritoneal catheter survival. ...

**Management of type 2 Diabetes in patients with Chronic Kidney Disease**

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About 30-40% of patients with chronic kidney disease (CKD) patients also have concomitant diabetes (1). Diabetes has been shown to have significantly stronger association with CKD in patients with younger age (2). ...

**Serum Procalcitonin Level is a Useful Predictor of Dilating Vesicoureteral Reflux in Patients with First Febrile Urinary Tract Infection**

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Background: Procalcitonin (PCT) has been proposed as a novel biomarker for prediction of Vesicoureteral Reflux (VUR). Since VUR is the most important risk factor for occurrence of pyelonephritis and renal tissue inflammation ...

**Current State of Tolerance: The Holy Grail**

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Research in Tolerance and Chimerism by Transplant immunologists for over half a century is akin to the pursuit of the Holy Grail. Animal experiments for inducing tolerance may not have been successful initially but in that process, ...

**Tailor-Made Induction Therapy in ‘Low Risk’ Renal Transplants; A South Asian Perspective**

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Induction therapy has established itself as an integral component of modern-day renal transplantation. Carefully selected induction therapy helps not only to avoid early rejection of grafts but also allows grafts with delayed function to recover prior to introduction of potentially nephrotoxic immunosuppressants. ...

**Contrast Induced Nephropathy - A Review**

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In the modern era of widespread utilisation of imaging procedures for preoperative diagnosis and minimal invasive surgeries, intravenous contrast plays a major role in delineation of variety of information related to vascularity of normal as well as abnormal tissues. ...
Steroid Monotherapy for the Treatment for Pure Membranous Lupus Nephritis: A Case Series of 5 Patients and Review of the Literature

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Introduction: The benefit of combination immunosuppression versus steroid monotherapy in pure membranous lupus nephritis (MLN) remains unclear. ...

Thrombotic Microangiopathy Caused by Gemcitabine in a Patient with Duodenal Cancer

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Gemcitabine (2',2'-difluorodeoxycytidine) is a potent pyrimidine antimetabolite and was introduced in 1987. It is commonly used for various tumors including non-small cell lung cancer, pancreatic cancer, breast cancer, ovarian cancer and renal cell carcinoma at advanced stages. ...

An End-Stage Renal Disease Patient with Invasive Fungal Rhinosinusitis

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Mucormycosis is one of the invasive fungal infections particularly in immunocompromised patients with impaired host defense. ...

Letter to Editor
The Role of Implantable Cardioverter-Defibrillators in Prevention of Sudden Cardiac Arrest in Chronic Kidney Disease

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Sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) is defined as sudden, unexpected loss of heart function, breathing and consciousness, resulting from an electrical disturbance in the heart stopping its action and blood flow, and cardiovascular diseases are the major risk factors for SCA. It has been reported that more than 20% of all deaths in patients with advanced chronic kidney disease...

Cardiorenal Syndrome: A Physician Perspective

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Cardiac diseases are associated independently with decrease in kidney function and progression of existing kidney diseases. Conversely, chronic kidney disease (CKD) represents an independent risk factor for cardiovascular events and outcomes. ...