Perioperative Anesthetic Complication for Kidney Transplatation, 25 Years Experience in

Ramathibodi Hospital.

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Objective: To study patients, surgical, anesthetic profiles and adverse events of kidney transplantation.

Materials and Methods: A retrospective of data describing practices and adverse events during kidney

transplantation were collected, during 1 January to 31 December 2010, from electronic medical record and

descriptive statistics analysis was used.

**Results:** A total of 82 cases, including 51(62%) living donor and 31(38%) cadaveric donor kidney

transplantations were reviewed. The mean(S.D.) of age and weight of the patients were 42.6(13.9) yrs and

57.8(12.2) kgs respectively. Hypertension (92.7%), anemia (72%), diabetes mellitus (19.5%) were the

three most common abnormalities associated with ESRD. The preoperative investigation (mean ± S.D.)

were hemoglobin (11.4  $\pm$ 2.0 gm%), BUN (40.4 $\pm$ 24.8 mg/dL), creatinine (8.44 $\pm$ 3.7 mg/dL) and

potassium (4.3±0.6 mmol/L). Thirty four patients received no premedication (42.5%). Antihypertensive

and anxiolytic drugs were administered (55.7%, 23.2%). Basic monitoring was used. Special monitoring

were invasive blood pressure monitoring (5.1%) and central venous pressure monitoring (5.1%). All of the

operations were done under general anesthesia. The record included anesthesia time (258.53±52.06 min),

cold ischemic time (CIT,LD=31.66±21.61 min), cold ischemic time (CIT,CD=1238.74±272.99 min),

relative warm ischemic time (rWIT=48±18.17 min). Average estimated blood loss was 384.35±591.32 ml

(range 20-5000). The adverse events (n,%) in the perioperative period were hypertension (63,76.8%),

hypotension (<15 min) (52,63.4%), bradycardia (1,1.2%), premature ventricular contraction (1,1.2%) and

unplanned ICU admission (1,1.2%). One patient expired from serious medical complication.

Conclusion: This retrospective study indicates that there is a relatively higher rate of adverse events in

CDKT recipients compared with LDKT recipients, but no major anesthetic-related adverse events in

perioperative period in Ramathibodi Hospital.

**Keywords:** Kidney transplantation; End stage renal disease; General anesthesia

Abbrevation: LDKT= Living donor kidney transplantation, CDKT= Cadeveric donor kidney

transplantation, ESRD= End stage renal disease