

Urate-lowering therapy helps chronic kidney disease patients improve organ function

November 13 2016

Chronic kidney disease patients who take urate-lowering therapy and achieve target urate levels show improvement in kidney function, according to new research findings presented this week at the 2016 ACR/ARHP Annual Meeting in Washington.

Chronic [kidney disease](#) (CKD) is a gradual loss of [kidney function](#) that can lead to fluid, electrolyte and waste build-up in its advanced stages. Gout, a condition marked by high levels of uric acid that can crystallize through the body, can lead to CKD in some [patients](#).

Could patients with [chronic kidney disease](#) benefit from therapies that lower their serum uric acid levels to reach a target goal associated with better organ [function](#)? A group of researchers set out to examine whether this therapy, widely used for gout treatment, help CKD patients who achieve the ACR target serum urate level of

Citation: Urate-lowering therapy helps chronic kidney disease patients improve organ function (2016, November 13) retrieved 20 April 2024 from <https://medicalxpress.com/news/2016-11-urate-lowering-therapy-chronic-kidney-disease.html>

This document is subject to copyright. Apart from any fair dealing for the purpose of private study or research, no part may be reproduced without the written permission. The content is provided for information purposes only.