

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

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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

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