

## #1937 - Inflammatory markers and coenzyme Q10 Therapy in hemodialysis patients

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**Background:** Inflammatory markers are increased in end stage renal disease (ESRD) especially diabetic patients and are positively correlated to cardiovascular mortality. Coenzyme Q10 (CO-Q10) a substance with antioxidant properties, may be effective in reducing cardiovascular complications in hemodialysis patients. The aim of this study was to investigate effects of CO-Q10 supplementation on plasma C-reactive protein, homocysteine and albumin in hemodialysis patients.

**Methods:** Forty diabetic ESRD patients with at least 6 months on hemodialysis were evaluated in a double blind randomized clinical trial. The patients were randomly assigned into one of the two groups receiving CO-Q10 100 mg daily and placebo. In all patients serum levels of homocysteine, albumin and CRP were measured before and

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after 6 months.

**Results:** Meanage of the patients was  $60.3 \pm 9.1$  years and 57.5 % were male. There was no statistically difference between two groups at baseline. Furthermore, no significant difference was observed in serum albumin ( $P=0.843$ ), CRP ( $P=0.214$ ) and homocysteine ( $P=0.21$ ) at the end of intervention between groups.

**Conclusions:** This study showed that in patients with ESRD, using CO-Q10 supplementation has minimal beneficial effects on serum albumin, CRP and homocysteine levels.

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