



# Acute Kidney Injury (AKI) in ICU Patients

## The Challenge

Timely urine output analysis is crucial for the prevention of acute kidney injury (AKI) which often results in longer hospital stays and increased mortality rates among ICU patients.

Studies have shown that mortality is significantly higher in AKI patients (27 % vs. 6%), as is their length of stay (3-10 days vs. 2-6 days) [1][2]

**Studies indicate that patient mortality is not a result of AKI with comorbidities but that in fact, AKI is the primary cause.** [1]



**50%**  
of ICU patients  
will have one  
stage of AKI  
after 24 hours [2]

## Current Solutions

Ideally, urine output should be checked once per hour. However, manual observations and documentation are often not carried out frequently enough due to heavy workloads and lack of time.

**Manual observation is often inaccurate**



**Adding urine output criteria to AKI detection methods** has been found to detect AKI on average 11h earlier than serum creatinine criteria alone [3]

## AKI is classified in stages of severity for severity according to the following criteria:

Stage	Serum creatinine	Urine output
1	1.5-1.9 times baseline <b>OR</b> >0.3 mg/dl (≥ 26.5 μmol/l) increase	< 0.5 ml/kg/h for 6-12 hours
2	2.0-2.9 time baseline	< 0.5 ml/kg/h for ≥ 12 hours
3	3.0 times baseline <b>OR</b> Increase in serum creatinine to ≥ 4.0 mg/dl (≥353.6 μmol/l) <b>OR</b> Initiation of renal replacement therapy <b>OR</b> , In patient < 18 years, decrease in eGFR to < 35 ml/min per 1.73 m <sup>2</sup>	< 0.3 ml/kg/h for ≥ 24 hours <b>OR</b> Anuria for ≥ 12 hours

International Society of Nephrology (KDIGO Guidelines)

## References

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# smART+™ Platform Automatically & Continuously Monitors Urine Flow

Abnormalities in flow rate, such as a future increase or decrease in urine output, are predicted in real-time, and alerts based on the KDIGO guidelines are issued to the medical staff before kidney function can deteriorate to critical levels.



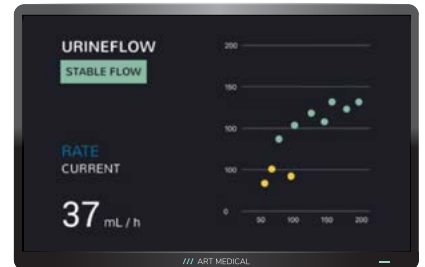
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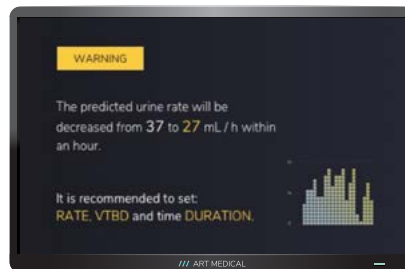
**smART+™**  
assists in detecting all stages of AKI as early as possible.



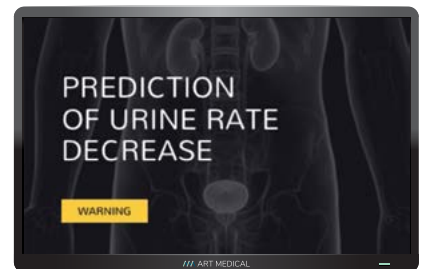
Monitors urine flow, detects abnormalities and provides real-time reports and alarms



Predicts low urine output that indicates potential AKI



Detects urine output trends



Alerts medical personnel to consider taking action

