



KAS: Unintended Consequences and Future Changes

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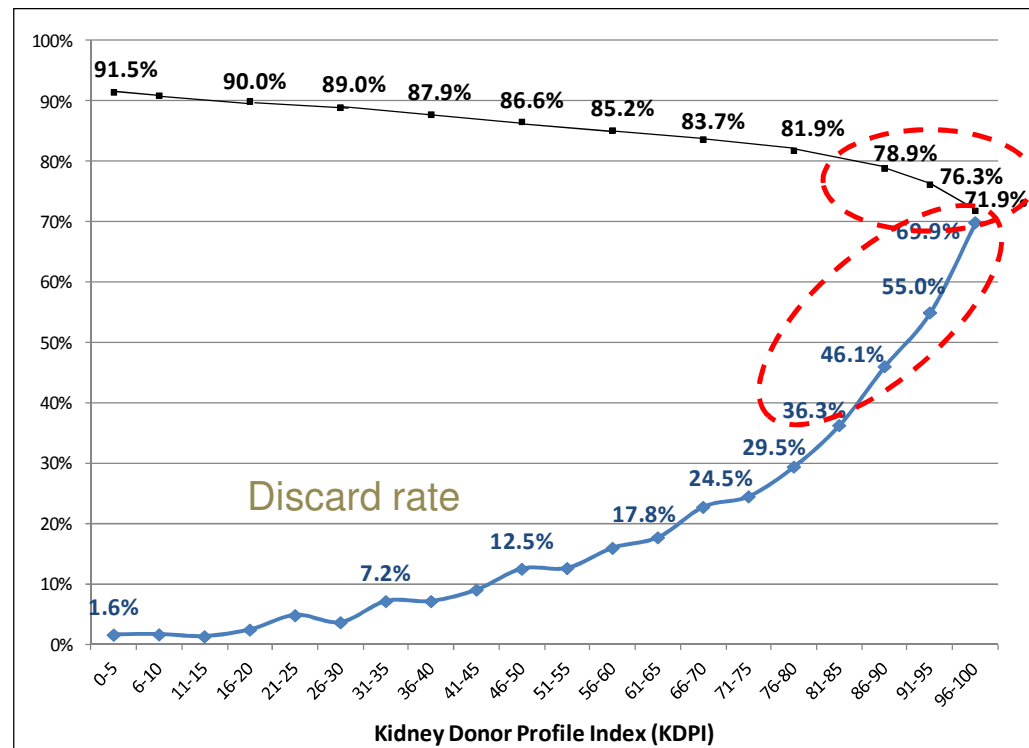
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Overview

- High KDPI organs
- High CPRA recipients
- Longevity matching

High KDPI Organ Allocation

- Broader sharing of high KDPI organs to quickly get them to where they will be utilized in the region
- 1st level of allocation is regional



Source: Darren Stewart, UNOS

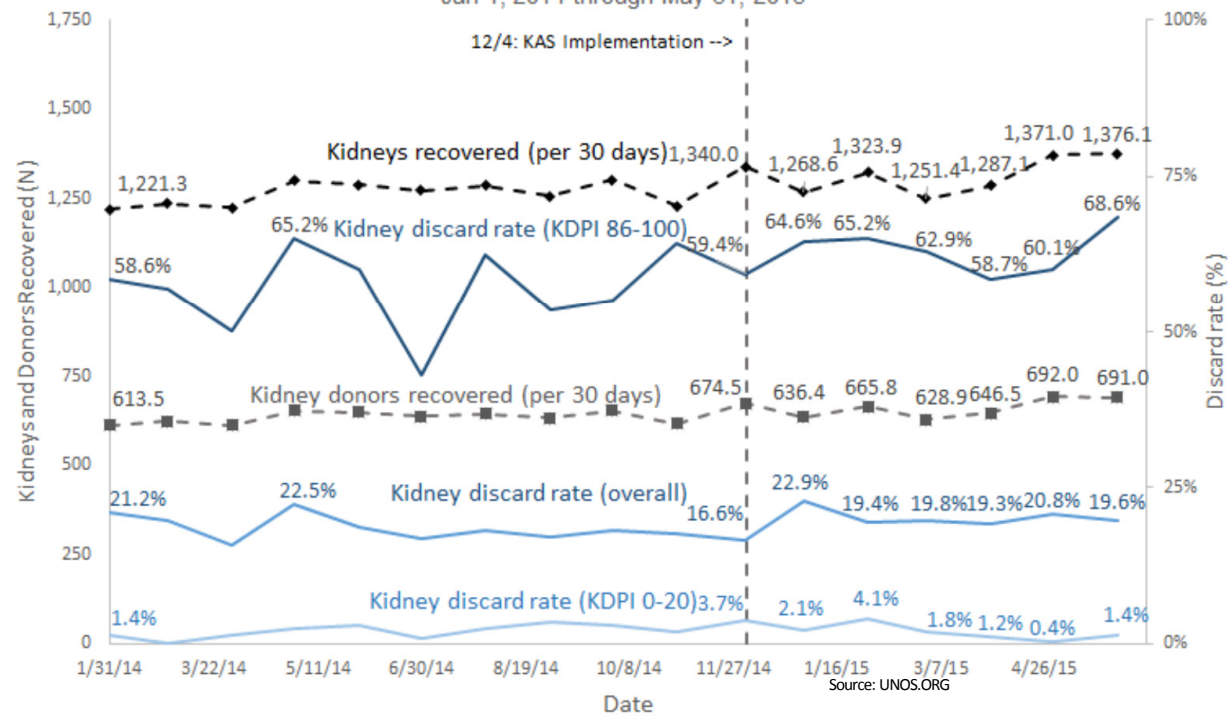
Potential Pitfalls

- The increased distance between procuring DSA and transplant centers in the region may be problematic and increase discards
- Regional centers may rarely accept offers, making the extra work and cost of offering to a region useless and expensive

Early Returns - Discards

Utilization

Figure 5: Pre vs. Post-KAS Kidney Recovery and Discard Rates
Jan 1, 2014 through May 31, 2015



Updates

- With data through September 2015, the rate of high KDPI discard is back to “pre-KAS” levels
- The overall rate of discard is back to “pre-KAS” levels
- Given these trends, more data needed to see if high KDPI usage might continue to improve

Possible Corrections

- Would be fairly easy (be design) to make the first level of allocation local then regional (revert to prior policy) if high KDPI organ utilization does not increase as planned or even decreases
- Other fixes in the works for high KDPI utilization (possible exclusion from PSRs)

High CPRA Recipients

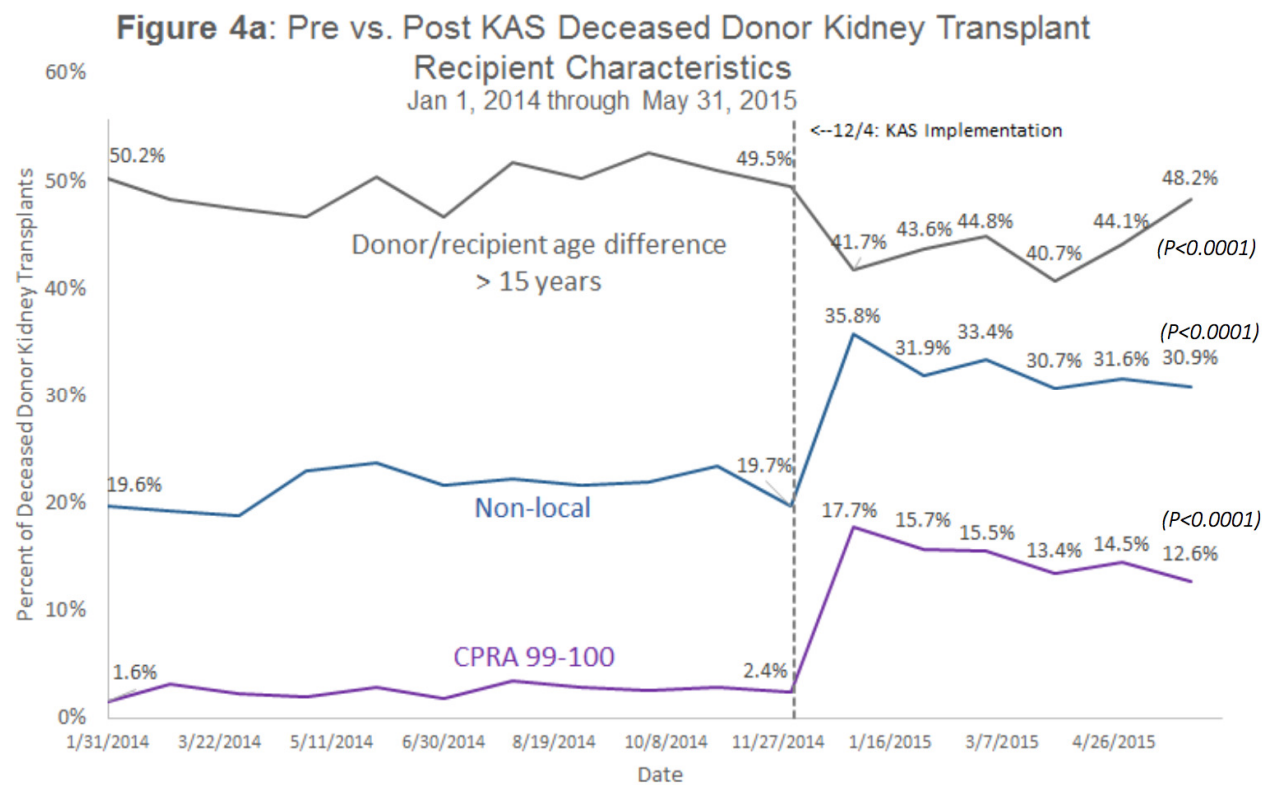
- Candidates with CPRA 98, 99, 100 receive high priority to increase their transplant rate
- 100% CPRA candidates get national priority behind multiorgan candidates, 99% regional priority, and 98% local priority

Sequence A KDPI <=20%	Sequence B KDPI >20% but <35%	Sequence C KDPI >=35% but <=85%	Sequence D KDPI>85%
Local CPRA 100	Local CPRA 100	Local CPRA 100	Local CPRA 100
Regional CPRA 100	Regional CPRA 100	Regional CPRA 100	Regional CPRA 100
National CPRA 100	National CPRA 100	National CPRA 100	National CPRA 100
Local CPRA 99	Local CPRA 99	Local CPRA 99	Local CPRA 99
Regional CPRA 99	Regional CPRA 99	Regional CPRA 99	Regional CPRA 99
Local CPRA 98	Local CPRA 98	Local CPRA 98	Local CPRA 98
Zero mismatch (top 20% EPTS)	Zero mismatch (top 20% EPTS)	Zero mismatch (top 20% EPTS)	Zero mismatch (top 20% EPTS)
Prior living donor	Prior living donor	Prior living donor	Prior living donor
Local pediatrics	Local pediatrics	Local pediatrics	Local pediatrics
Local top 20% EPTS	Local top 20% EPTS	Local top 20% EPTS	Local top 20% EPTS
Zero mismatch (all)	Zero mismatch (all)	Zero mismatch (all)	Zero mismatch (all)
Local (all)	Local (all)	Local (all)	Local (all)
Regional pediatrics	Regional pediatrics	Regional pediatrics	Regional pediatrics
Regional (top 20%)	Regional (top 20%)	Regional (top 20%)	Regional (top 20%)
Regional (all)	Regional (all)	Regional (all)	Regional (all)
National pediatrics	National pediatrics	National pediatrics	National pediatrics
National (top 20%)	National (top 20%)	National (top 20%)	National (top 20%)
National (all)	National (all)	National (all)	National (all)

New categories for highly sensitized candidates

Source: unos.org

The Bolus Effect - An Unintended but Expected Consequence



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The Upside

- High CPRA candidates are getting organ offers and transplants at a high rate, when previously many of these candidates never received a transplant – this was the main goal of the policy change

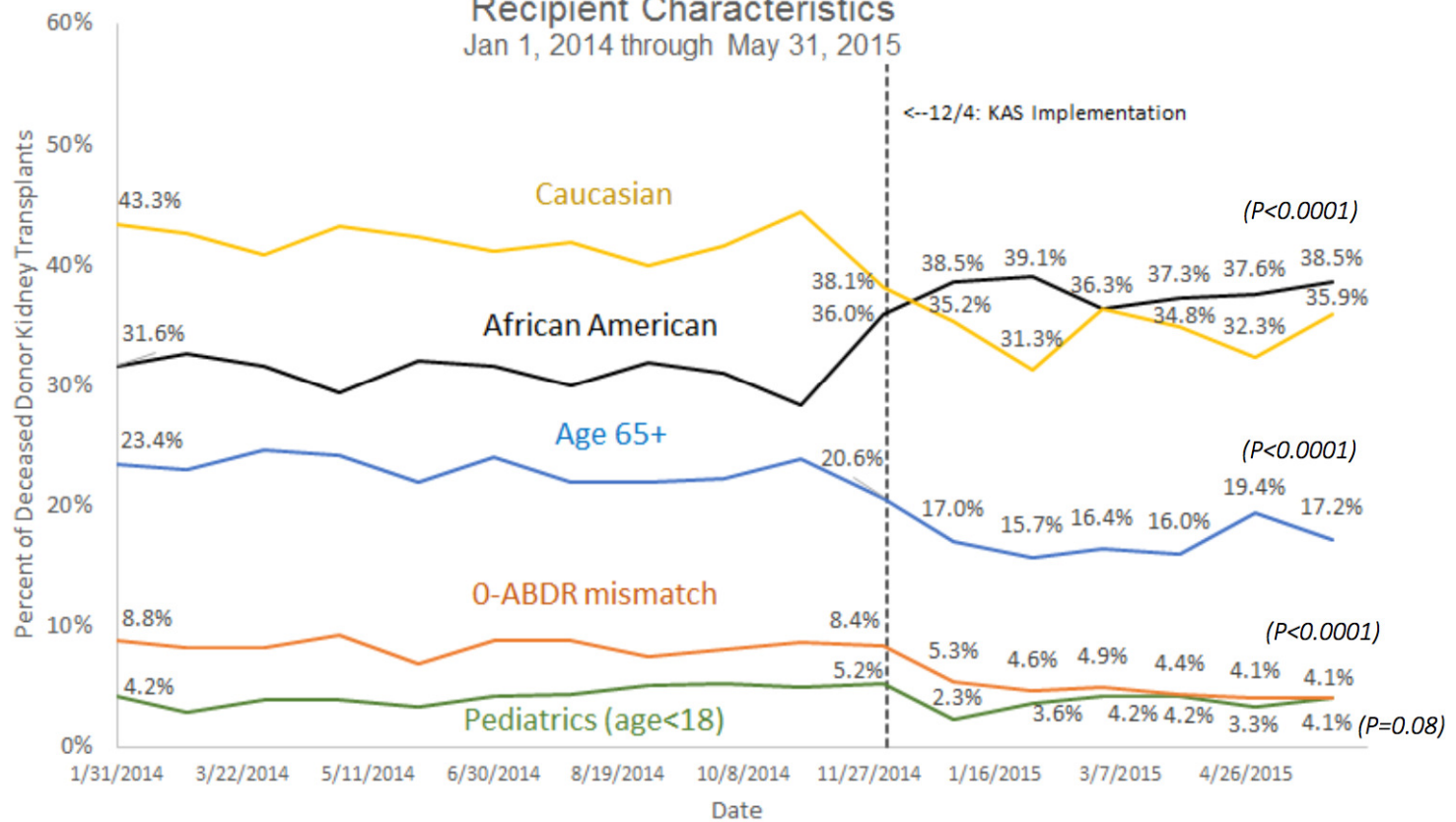
The Downside

- There was an initial dip in pediatric transplants (although it returned to pre-KAS levels)
- Significant increase in shipped organs (cost, complexity)
- Increase in amount of tissue typing required – crossmatches at a distance, extended donor typing, etc.
- Decrease in 0-ABDR mismatch transplants

Figure 4b: Pre vs. Post KAS Deceased Donor Kidney Transplant

Recipient Characteristics

Jan 1, 2014 through May 31, 2015



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Possible Corrections

- Once the “bolus” period is finished, if transplant rates remain disproportionally high in the high CPRA group, then the level of allocation could be downshifted (CPRA = 100 would get regional, not national priority; and CPRA = 99 only local priority, etc.)
- By design, a relatively easy correction if needed, the issue will be knowing when the bolus is done

Possible Corrections

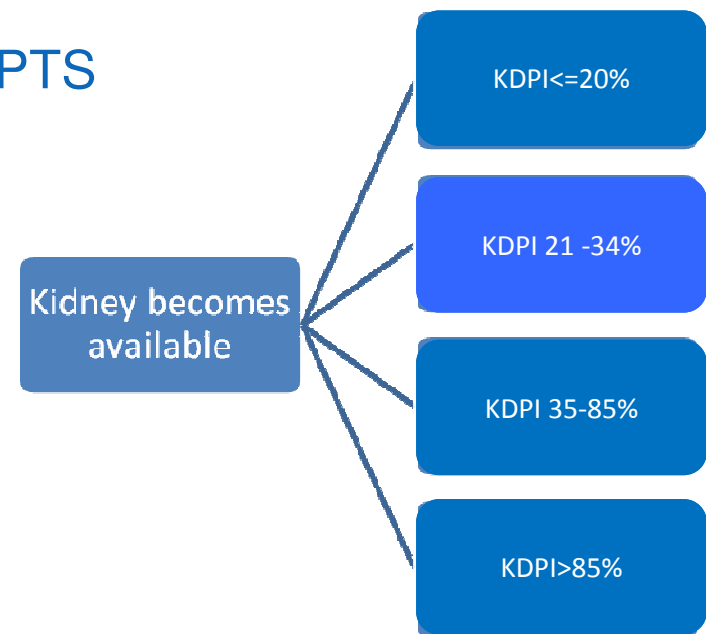
- Another potential correction would be from the tissue typing end rather than the allocation end
- Not all CPRA 99 and 100 patients are the same in terms of their unacceptable antigens – potentially more granular assessment and classification (e.g., true 100% vs. 99.5% makes a difference)
- The decrease in 0-ABDR MM transplants is concerning to many and needs to be addressed as well – but more analysis as to exactly why is needed

Longevity Matching

- Top 20% of candidates by EPTS offered kidneys with KDPI < 20% first

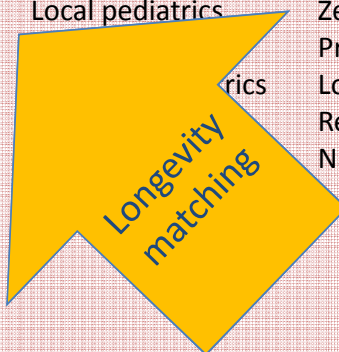
Estimated Post Transplant Survival (EPTS) and Longevity Matching

- Considering longevity for some candidates could reduce the need for repeat transplants
- Four medical factors used to calculate EPTS
 - Age
 - History of diabetes
 - Length of time on dialysis
 - History of a prior transplant



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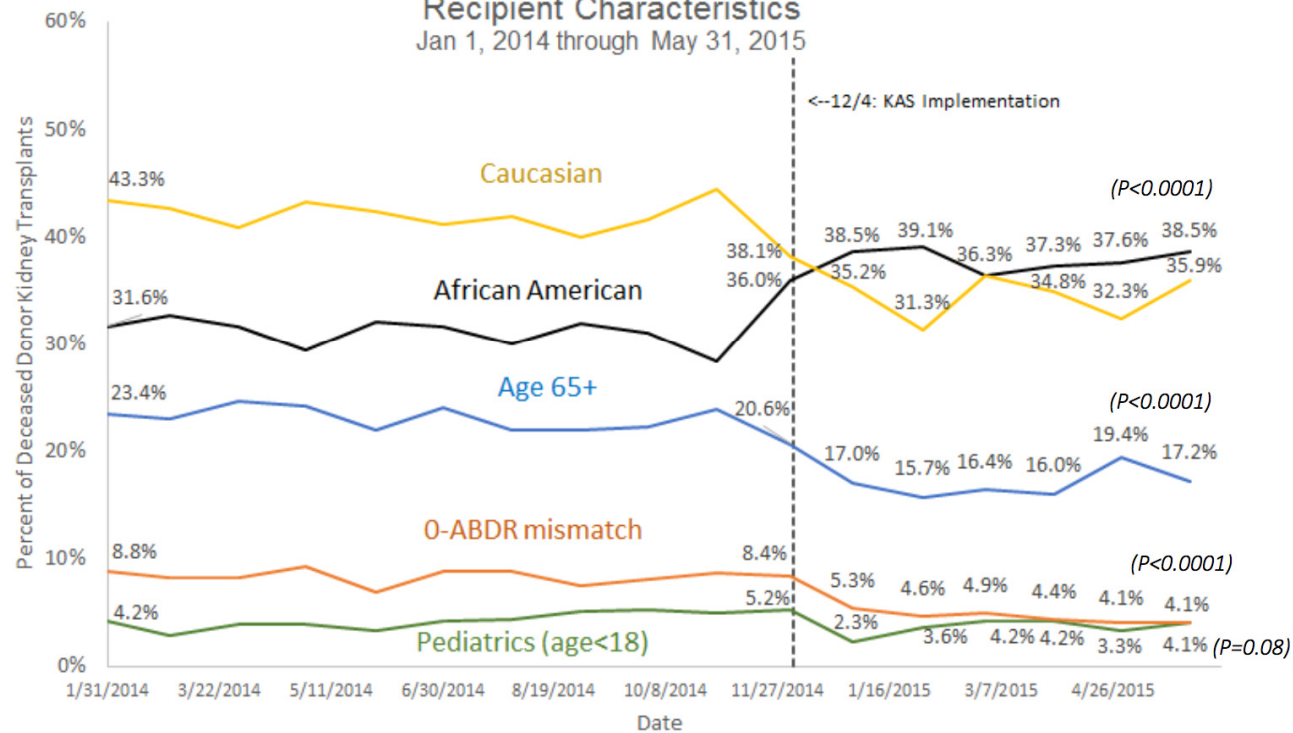
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National CPRA 100	National CPRA 100	100	National CPRA 100
Local CPRA 99	Local CPRA 99	National CPRA	Local CPRA 99
Regional CPRA 99	Regional CPRA 99	100	Regional CPRA 99
Local CPRA 98	Local CPRA 98	Local CPRA 99	Local CPRA 98
Zero mismatch (top 20% EPTS)	Zero mismatch	Regional CPRA 99	Zero mismatch
Prior living donor	Prior living donor	Local CPRA 98	Local + Regional
Local pediatrics	Local pediatrics	Zero mismatch	National
Local top 20% EPTS		Prior living donor	
Zero mismatch (all)		Local	
Local (all)		Regional	
Regional pediatrics		National	
Regional (top 20%)			
Regional (all)			
National pediatrics			
National (top 20%)			
National (all)			



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Early Returns

Figure 4b: Pre vs. Post KAS Deceased Donor Kidney Transplant Recipient Characteristics
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Figure 1a: EPTS by KDPI matrix highlighting severe longevity mismatches among deceased donor kidney transplants

		Deceased Donor KDPI (expected kidney longevity**)					
		0-20% (~15 years)	21-40 (~13 years)	41-60 (~12 years)	61-80 (~11 years)	81-100 (~8 years)	
Recipient EPTS (expected recipient longevity*)	Pediatric (>25 years)			Mismatch	Mismatch	Mismatch	Mismatch type (2): High risk of early graft failure, return to W/L
	0-20% (~21 years)				Mismatch	Mismatch	
	21-40% (~15 years)					Mismatch	
	41-60% (~11 years)	Mismatch					Mismatch type (1): High risk of DWFG, unrealized graft years
	61-80% (~9 years)	Mismatch	Mismatch				
	81-100% (~7 years)	Mismatch	Mismatch	Mismatch			

Figure 1b: Heat map of pre vs. post-KAS differences in % of deceased donor kidney transplants by recipient EPTS and donor KDPI

		Deceased Donor KDPI					
		0-20% (~15 years)	21-40 (~13 years)	41-60 (~12 years)	61-80 (~11 years)	81-100 (~8 years)	
Recipient EPTS (expected recipient longevity*)	Pediatric (>25 years)	0.2%	0.4%	-0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	<div>sharp ↑</div> <div>modest ↑</div> <div>no change ↔</div> <div>modest ↓</div> <div>sharp ↓</div>
	0-20% (~21 years)	9.4%	-1.8%	-1.1%	-0.9%	-0.3%	
	21-40% (~15 years)	-2.3%	-0.5%	0.4%	0.8%	-0.5%	
	41-60% (~11 years)	-1.7%	-0.4%	0.2%	0.3%	-0.7%	
	61-80% (~9 years)	-1.2%	-0.4%	0.4%	0.0%	0.3%	
	81-100% (~7 years)	-1.8%	1.1%	0.9%	0.0%	-0.4%	

* Median recipient survival after solitary deceased donor kidney transplant, per Kaplan-Meier method.

** Average of two Kaplan-Meier half-life estimates: (a) death-censored, (b) all-cause graft failure.

Mean recipient age (years) by EPTS group: peds (11), 0-20% (35), 21-40% (49), 41-60% (55), 61-80% (60), 81-100% (66)

CEOT 2016 Poster Presentation: The Two Sides of Longevity Matching Under KAS: One's Working, the Other Needs Work

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Longevity Matching

- Lingering questions
 - How does it play in different DSAs?
 - DSAs with more than one multi-organ program or pediatric program will likely take a large % of the KDPI < 20 organs before adult kidney-alone candidates ever see them
 - need more data here
- Possible Corrections
 - So far the predicted 5% decline to older candidates is correct – if this slides further (and cannot be explained by other factors such as fear of bad outcomes), then adjustments could be made (by design) to the 20% (15%, 10%, etc.)

Summary

- So far, most of the new features of KAS are achieving their stated goals, with the notable exception of broader sharing of high KDPI organs
- Several simple corrections were designed in the system to allow for fine-tuning if needed once more comprehensive data are available