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TITLE: Central Pulse Pressure in Chronic Kidney Disease: A CRIC Ancillary Study

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Supplemental Methods

Central pulse pressure measurements were performed supine after at least 5 minutes of rest using the Sphygmocor PVx System (AtCor Medical, West Ryde, Australia) via the right radial artery at all CRIC sites (1). All personnel were trained and certified to take blood pressure measurements in the dominant arm with a Tyco aneroid sphygmomanometer using American Heart Association standards and to perform the central pressure measurements using radial artery tonometry (2) (3). The operator captured 10 seconds of stable radial artery waveform. Pulse pressure was defined as the difference between the systolic and the diastolic blood pressure in mmHg. When this data was derived from standard blood pressure measurement it was brachial PP; when derived by algorithm from the radial artery waveform it was CPP. The augmentation index (AIX) was derived from the aortic pressure profile. It was defined as the ratio of the contribution of the reflected wave (in mmHg) to the aortic pressure profile divided by the central pulse pressure (and is unitless). The aortic time to wave reflection (Tr) was determined by a transformation algorithm within Sphygmocor PVx software based on detecting the time to an inflection in the aortic systolic upstroke and is presented in milliseconds. The other factors in Table 2 were determined by standard methods and direct participant query as detailed in the primary manuscript.

Supplemental Results

Supplemental Table S1 shows the univariate correlations as presented in the primary manuscript and now supplemented by the addition of the Tr (not significant) and the AIX (statistically significant), shown by gender (\pm SD) (new data lightly shaded for emphasis).

Supplemental Table S2 shows the same analysis as presented in Table 3b of the primary manuscript but now includes both Tr and AIX in the multivariable model. When compared with Table 3b in the primary manuscript Aortic Tr was not significant. However, the incorporation of AIX into the model appeared to account for the contributions of mean arterial pressure, age, gender, diabetes and weight in the primary manuscript.

Supplemental Table S3 shows the same analysis as presented in Table 3c of the primary manuscript. The incorporation of AIX into the model increased the estimation of CPP variability by the model from 0.87 in the primary manuscript to 0.92 in the Supplemental data.

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Supplemental Table S1:	Factors associated with	Central Pulse Pressure
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Variable	Central Pulse Pressure			*Ln Central Pulse Pressure		
	Est (StdErr)	R^2	р	Est (StdErr)	R^2	р
Female Sex	3.787 (0.75)	0.010	<.0001	0.089 (0.02)	0.012	<.0001
Race Black	4.847 (0.79)	0.020	<.0001	0.106 (0.02)	0.020	<.0001
Other	6.527 (1.28)	0.020	<.0001	0.128 (0.03)	0.020	<.0001
Ethnicity Hispanic	4.700 (2.12)	0.025	<.0001	0.091 (0.04)	0.024	<.0001
Diabetes	10.449 (0.72)	0.076	<.0001	0.227 (0.02)	0.081	<.0001
Age (/10 years)	6.083 (0.33)	0.123	<.0001	0.147 (0.01)	0.162	<.0001
[†] eGFR (/10 mL/min/1.73m ²)	-2.483 (0.23)	0.045	<.0001	-0.053 (0.00)	0.046	<.0001
Weight (/10 Kg)	-0.769 (0.18)	0.008	<.0001	-0.015 (0.00)	0.006	<.0001
Body Mass Index (kg/m ²)	0.032 (0.06)	0.000	0.5666	0.002 (0.00)	0.001	0.1590
Waist (/10 cm)	0.262 (0.23)	0.001	0.2561	0.010 (0.00)	0.002	0.0356
[‡] MAP (/10 mmHg)	4.656 (0.26)	0.118	<.0001	0.093 (0.01)	0.106	<.0001
[§] SBP (/10 mmHg)	6.160 (0.12)	0.535	<.0001	0.127 (0.00)	0.512	<.0001
DBP (/10 mm Hg)	-1.200 (0.29)	0.007	<.0001	-0.030 (0.01)	0.009	<.0001
[¶] Aortic Tr (msec)	-0.000 (0.00)	0.000	0.9163	-0.000 (0.00)	0.000	0.5426
Augmentation Index	0.673 (0.03)	0.200	<.0001	0.016 (0.00)	0.241	<.0001
Heart Rate (/10 beats/min)	-3.187 (0.33)	0.037	<.0001	-0.073 (0.01)	0.043	<.0001
Brachial PP (/10 mmHg)	8.574 (0.09)	0.795	<.0001	0.179 (0.00)	0.778	<.0001
Hemoglobin (g/dL)	-3.098 (0.21)	0.083	<.0001	-0.069 (0.00)	0.094	<.0001
Glucose (/10 mg/dL)	0.575 (0.08)	0.021	<.0001	0.012 (0.00)	0.020	<.0001
Triglycerides (/10 mg/dL)	-0.060 (0.03)	0.001	0.0754	-0.002 (0.00)	0.003	0.0159
LDL-Cholesterol (/10 mg/dL)	-0.237 (0.11)	0.002	0.0374	-0.007 (0.00)	0.004	0.0045
HDL-Cholesterol (/10 mg/dL)	0.333 (0.24)	0.001	0.1719	0.008 (0.01)	0.001	0.1064
Calcium (mg/dL)	-3.709 (0.75)	0.010	<.0001	-0.074 (0.02)	0.009	<.0001
[#] Phosphate (mg/dL)	1.979 (1.43)	0.005	0.1670	0.044 (0.03)	0.005	0.1608
[#] Calcium-Phosphate (product)	0.324 (0.06)	0.011	<.0001	0.007 (0.00)	0.013	<.0001
[#] Parathryoid Hormone (/10 pg/mL)	0.343 (0.06)	0.014	<.0001	0.008 (0.00)	0.016	<.0001
[#] Urine Protein (g/day)	1.439 (0.21)	0.021	<.0001	0.027 (0.00)	0.016	<.0001
[#] Urine Albumin (g/day)	1.191 (0.26)	0.009	<.0001	0.022 (0.01)	0.007	<.0001
[#] HemoglobinA ₁ C (%)	2.870 (0.24)	0.054	<.0001	0.063 (0.01)	0.058	<.0001
[#] Uric Acid (mg/dL)	0.848 (0.20)	0.007	<.0001	0.017 (0.00)	0.007	<.0001
Number of Antihypertensive Drugs	3.495 (0.24)	0.083	<.0001	0.078 (0.00)	0.093	<.0001

*Ln = Natural logarithm transformation of Central Pulse Pressure; [†]eGFR=estimated Glomerular Filtration Rate; [‡]MAP=Mean Arterial Pressure; [§]SBP=Systolic Blood Pressure; [∥]DBP=Diastolic Blood Pressure; [¶]Aortic Tr = Time to reflected wave in aortic pressure profile; [#]Available at baseline visit only Supplemental Table S2: Multivariable regression model for *LnCPP (adjusted for brachial pulse pressure [natural log transformed], and brachial mean arterial pressure, [†]AIX and Aortic [‡]Tr)

Variable	Estimate (StdErr)	p value
[§] LnBPP (mmHg)	0.965 (0.009)	<.0001
Mean arterial pressure (mmHg)	0.002 (0.002)	0.2242
Age (/10 years)	0.004 (0.003)	0.1284
Sex (Male)	-0.009 (0.005)	0.0805
Diabetes (Yes)	0.006 (0.005)	0.2413
Heart Rate (beats/minute)	-0.019 (0.002)	<.0001
Weight (/10 Kg)	-0.001 (0.001)	0.3554
[†] AIX	0.008 (0.000)	<.0001
[‡] Aortic Tr	0.000 (0.000)	0.3134

*=Natural logarithm transformation of Central Pulse Pressure; [†]= Augmentation Index; [‡] = Time to Aortic reflected wave detection; [§] = Natural Logarithm transformation of Brachial Pulse Pressure

Supplemental Table S3: Stepwise change in multivariable model R² (from Table S2)

Variable	Model
	\mathbf{R}^2
*LnBPP	0.820781
LnBPP + Mean Arterial Pressure (/10 mmHg; 'MAP')	0.820817
LnBPP + MAP + Age (/10yrs)	0.843678
LnBPP + MAP + Age(/10yrs) + Diabetes	0.843882
LnBPP + MAP + Age(/10yrs) + Diabetes + Heart Rate(/10beats/min)	0.858931
LnBPP + MAP + Age(/10yrs) + Diabetes + Heart Rate(/10beats/min) + Sex	0.866866
LnBPP + MAP + Age(/10yrs) + Diabetes + Heart Rate(/10beats/min)+ Sex + Weight (/10kg)	0.870519
LnBPP + MAP + Age(/10yrs) + Diabetes + Heart Rate(/10beats/min)+ Sex + Weight (/10kg) +	0.915581
[†] AIX	
LnBPP + MAP + Age(/10yrs) + Diabetes + Heart Rate(/10beats/min)+ Sex + Weight (/10kg) + AIX	0.915616
+ Aortic Tr	

*=Natural logarithm transformation of Central Pulse Pressure; † = Augmentation Index; ‡ = Time to Aortic reflected wave detection; $^{\$}$ = Natural Logarithm transformation of Brachial Pulse Pressure