Supplementary Text. Definitions of true positive rate (TPR), true negative rate (TNR), false positive rate (FPR), and false negative rate (FNR) and formulas of precision, recall, accuracy, and F1 score that are calculated by Python "sklearn" package.

- **True positive rate (TPR):** the ratio between the number of positive events correctly categorized as positive (TP) and the total number of actual positive events
- **True negative rate (TNR):** the ratio between the number of negative events correctly categorized as negative (TN) and the total number of actual negative events
- False positive rate (FPR): the ratio between the number of negative events wrongly categorized as positive (FP) and the total number of actual negative events
- False negative rate (FNR): the ratio between the number of positive events wrongly categorized as negative (FN) and the total number of actual positive events
- **Precision** $= \frac{TP}{TP+FP}$
- **Recall** = $\frac{TP}{TP+FN}$
- Accuracy = $\frac{TP+TN}{TP+TN+FP+FN}$
- **F1 score** = $2 \times \left(\frac{\text{Precision} \times \text{Recall}}{\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}}\right)$

Supplemental Fig. 1. Violin plots show the distribution of eGFR labeled for selected kidney sonographic images by patient's characteristics including whether being in the testing dataset, elderly, male, diabetic and hypertensive. Box plots showing the median and interquartile range of eGFR in each subgroup are embedded in each violin plot.



Supplemental Fig. 2. The testing performance versus the percentage of the entire training dataset. (a) MAE (blue) and correlation coefficient (red) both improves from increasing data size. (b) The performance of CKD status classification without scaling the weight of above-60 samples. CKD, chronic kidney disease; MAE, mean absolute error.



Supplemental Fig. 3. Flow diagram of image selection process. **Abbreviations:** eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; CMUH, China Medical University Hospital. (*) indicates cases with severe hydronephrosis, severe polycystic kidney disease, and kidney cancers that significantly compromise the kidney parenchyma.



Supplemental Table 1. The performance of predicting continuous eGFR (estimated glomerular filtration rate) by ensembling the 10 models.

	MAE	Correlation	R-squared
10-model ensemble	17.605	0.741	0.421

Supplemental Table 2. Comparison of performance in determining CKD status based on different eGFR (estimated glomerular filtration rate) cutoff values. AUC, area under curve; FN, false negative; FP, false positive; TN, true negative; TP, true positive.

Cutoff value	30 ml/min/1.73m ²			45 ml/min/1.73m ²			60 ml/min/1.73m ²			
Confusion matrix	TN = 66 $FN = 21$	FP = 20 TP = 53		TN = 41 $FN = 20$	FP = 15 TP = 84		TN = 20 FN = 10	FP = 13 TP = 117		
Accuracy	0.7438			0.7813			0.8563			
AUC	0.8036			0.8326			0.9036			
Kappa statistic	0.4831			0.5289			0.5458			
B-statistic	0.5572			0.6372			0.8051			
Sensitivity	0.7027			0.8077			0.9213			
Specificity	0.7791			0.7321			0.6061			

	Accuracy (95% CI)	Precision (95% CI)	Recall (95% CI)	F1 score (95% CI)
Nephrologist 1	0.801 (0.753, 0.848)	0.893 (0.851, 0.935)	0.852 (0.805, 0.899)	0.871 (0.836, 0.904)
Nephrologist 2	0.763 (0.713, 0.814)	0.881 (0.838, 0.929)	0.811 (0.761, 0.864)	0.844 (0.806, 0.881)
Nephrologist 3	0.650 (0.593, 0.707)	0.917 (0.875, 0.963)	0.614 (0.549, 0.679)	0.735 (0.683, 0.785)
Nephrologist 4	0.607 (0.549, 0.667)	0.957 (0.927, 1.000)	0.528 (0.461, 0.595)	0.680 (0.619, 0.737)
Proposed CNN	0.856 (0.816, 0.898)	0.913 (0.877, 0.951)	0.906 (0.868, 0.947)	0.909 (0.881, 0.937)

Supplemental Table 3. Performance comparison among the proposed convolutional neural network (CNN) and four veteran nephrologists evaluated by bootstrap confidence interval. Numbers in bold font indicate the highest performance in the column (e.g., accuracy).

Supplemental Table 4. Comparison of the performance of predicting continuous eGFR (estimated glomerular filtration rate) by ensembling 10 models based on different CNN architectures – ResNet-101, Inception V4 and VGG-19. *Note that FMA is the abbreviation of "Fused Multiply-Adds", and we used this measure as a rough approximation of computational cost as these architectures were applied.¹

	MAE	Correlation	R-squared	Model Size (MB)	FMA*
ResNet-101	17.605	0.741	0.421	172	7.8 x 10 ⁹
Inception V4	17.532	0.738	0.471	157	12.3 x 10 ⁹
VGG-19	17.060	0.753	0.489	550	19.7 x 10 ⁹

Supplemental Table 5. Comparison of three conventional machine learning approaches (HOG, LBP, and ORB) with our proposed ResNet-101 model in terms of the predictive performance of CKD classification. HOG, histogram of oriented gradients; LBP, local binary pattern; ORB, Oriented FAST and Rotated BRIEF; AUC, area under curve; FN, false negative; FP, false positive; TN, true negative; TP, true positive.

Features	H	OG	_	LBP		_	ORB			ResNet-101	
Dimension	15	876		256		256 12800			256		
Confusion	TN=9	FP=24		TN=3	FP=30		TN=2	FP=31		TN=20	FP=13
matrix	FN=6	TP=121		FN=12	TP=115		FN=7	TP=120		FN=10	TP=117
Accuracy	0.8	3125		0.7375			0.7625			0.8563	
AUC	0.7	/182		0.5321			0.5101		0.9036		

Supplemental Table 6. Performance comparison between two approaches: positive samples with or without scaled weights.

Positive weight	True Positive Rate	Ture Negative Rate	False Positive Rate	False Negative Rate	Accuracy	Area Under Curve
with scaled	117/127=92.1%	20/33=60.6%	13/33=39.4%	10/127=7.9%	85.6%	0.903
without scaled	124/127=97.6%	11/33=33.3%	22/33=66.7%	3/127=2.4%	84.3%	0.884

Supplemental Table 7. The performance comparison among different combination of fixed blocks in our ResNet model. MAE, mean absolute error.

Fixed blocks	MAE	Correlation	R-squared
None	18.337	0.605	0.367
First	17.655	0.636	0.406
First and second	17.709	0.630	0.398

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