

that in-hospital mortality rates were: 13.9%, 16.4%, 33.8% for AKI of stages 1, 2 and 3, respectively (46). Also, **Ostermann and Chang** found that AKI III was an independent risk factor for ICU mortality (15).

5. Conclusion

AKI is very prevalent in the ICU setting with sepsis being the most common cause. Late nephrology consultation and stage 3 AKI are the most important independent risk factors for unfavorable outcome in those patients. Early nephrology consultation is mandatory to improve the outcome.

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